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NOVEL H1N1 FLU (SWINE FLU) EXPOSURE NOTICE

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Dear Parent or Guardian:

Three (3) students in grades 2 and 3 at Lincoln Elementary School have been diagnosed with the Novel H1N1 Flu (Swine Flu). The students are at home and will return to school when no longer infectious; however, your child may have been exposed to the flu virus. For students in 2nd grade, the exposure dates are between May 27th and June 1st. For students in 3rd grade, the exposure date is May 29th.

The incubation period for the H1N1 Flu (Swine Flu) is 1 to 7 days. Influenza is spread primarily from person-to-person through coughing or sneezing. The symptoms of H1N1 Flu (Swine Flu) are similar to the regular seasonal influenza and include fever (greater than 100° F), cough, sore throat, head and/or body ache, and lethargy. If your child has any of these symptoms **keep your child at home** and call your personal physician. The best way to prevent influenza is to wash your hands often, cover your cough, eat well, get enough sleep, and reduce your stress.

A fact sheet on H1N1 Flu (Swine Flu) is attached. For more information, you or your physician may call the Marathon County Health Department at (715) 261-1900.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ruth Klee Marx".

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