## **H1N1 Emergency Planning**

- Pre-emptive closures not recommended, we are past the prevention point. Any closures would be for practical, administrative reasons (lack of staff) not medical reasons.
- All decisions around closure are joint-school district (superintendent) and public health department.

## **Considerations**

- Communication Checklist-Draft developed
- Decisions will be made by the superintendent on a school-by-school basis.
- If school is closed, all school activities are cancelled, including:
  - Afterschool Program
  - Athletic Events (home and away)
  - Parent meetings
- Food Services may provide 2 take-home meals (lunch and dinner) if a school is closed. Will set up as distribution center, with parents coming in to pick up meals. Meals will not be served at the school.
- Transportation-If many drivers are absent and substitute drivers not available, will have available drivers doing double runs. Will notify schools of adjusted schedule. Schools will need to allow late students to have breakfast.
- Adjusting the school calendar may be considered in the event of school closures, at the discretion of the School Board. If a school is closed, only staff designated by their administrator are to report to work.
- Contractual issues:
  - Certified staff are quaranteed 191 paid days
  - Classified staff can be designated to work, even if school is closed
- Custodians following regular cleaning procedures until notice from Health Department for heightened cleaning.