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Dear Valley Stream 30 Community,

Report Card Update

Tonight, at Clear Stream, is the last of the Parent PTA Workshops on the newly revised report cards that you will be receiving next month. For those of you who have been unable to attend the PTA meetings, there will also be a brief presentation regarding the report cards at the 11/23 Board Meeting at Shaw Avenue Library at 8:00 p.m. Additionally, you will find the Power Point presentation on our District website at www.valleystream30.com.

H1N1 Update

As the District receives updated guidance from the health authorities on influenza, we implement any procedures recommended, as well as passing information on to you. Also note that there is a special link on our website for information on H1N1 and influenza.

Look for information to come home soon regarding "Tips for Parents from the School Health Office" which will help parents to determine when to keep their child home from school.

Additionally, please note that school nurses will no longer be sending letters home regarding confirmed cases of influenza in a class, per the recommendation of health officials. As influenza is now in the broader community, health officials explain that schools may not be aware of all cases of flu, so the sending home of letters for identified cases may not be an accurate accounting. The recommendation from the Executive Committee of the Council on School Health of the American Academy of Pediatrics now is that parents with medically-fragile students should speak with their private healthcare providers as to whether it is safe for the child to be in school when influenza A and H1N1 is in the broader community.

As always, please do not hesitate to call your school nurse with any questions you may have. We appreciate our dedicated Valley Stream 30 health professionals!

Upcoming Dates

Board of Education meeting – November 23rd, 8:30 p.m.

Topics include a presentation on the new report card and an update presentation on our new student assessments used to report and help guide your child's instruction toward meeting or exceeding grade-level standards.

I wish everyone a good weekend. Please email (ekanas@vs30.org) or call me (285-9881, ext. 222) with any suggestions, comments, questions, etc.

Sincerely,

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