

Ovid-Elsie Area Schools

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

Ovid-Elsie Area Schools considers the health and well-being of our students and staff a priority. With that in mind, we are sending this letter home for your awareness. We have noticed an increase in some similar symptoms recently. The symptoms of complaint have been a stomach ache and burning, itchy eyes. While these symptoms could be nothing more than allergies, they could also be the start of a viral process. It is very typical this time of year to see circulation of many viruses. There is no treatment or cure for viruses, you must manage symptoms and let it run its course. However, prevention and stopping the spread is one of the most important things we can do to assure our health and others'.

So, what can we do to stop the spread of illnesses?

- Please follow our illness protocols (you can find them <u>here</u>) and keep your child home from school when they do not feel well. Please always notify your child's school immediately of the absence and the symptoms they are experiencing.
- 2. Encourage good hand hygiene! You can find more information on proper hand washing here. Also, remember to sanitize frequently touched surfaces often.
- 3. Contact your child's healthcare provider with any questions or concerns.

We will continue to provide regular updates as needed and will provide prompt notification of communicable diseases as warranted. We encourage you to contact us with questions and concerns. Please feel free to call or email with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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