



**ORANGE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
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Dear Parents, Guardians and Employees:

The health district was unable to resume H1N1 flu vaccination clinics in our schools during the week of November 9-13. Notice was issued however, that nasal mist administrations were available at Germanna Community College in Culpeper County and Liberty High School in Fauquier County on November 11.

While the health district protocol does not allow parents/guardians to be present when vaccinations are administered, it is important to understand that uncooperative students are not restrained. In these rare instances, a note is sent home stating the student did not receive the vaccination and follow up with medical professionals is suggested to parents/guardians.

Depending on vaccine quantity and school numbers of permission slips received, we remain committed to this plan:

- a. Gordon-Barbour Elementary School and the TEAC Head Start & Alternative Education Program
- b. Orange Elementary School
- c. Locust Grove Middle School
- d. Prospect Heights Middle School
- e. Orange County High School

**It remains very important that parents inform the school nurse and/or the school principal if their child already has received the H1N1 vaccination.** While there is no danger associated with double doses, we are advised that the administration of two doses of any flu vaccine within five days may render the second dose ineffective.

Remember to maintain plans for childcare at home if your child becomes ill or cannot go to school for a week or longer. For more information contact your health care provider or local health department (540-672-1291); visit this website: [www.vdh.virginia.gov](http://www.vdh.virginia.gov); or call 1-877-ASK-VDH3 or 1-(877) 275-8343.

The following chart shows the number of cases of flu-like illness reported in Orange County Public Schools for the week of November 9-13, 2009.

School	Total Enrollment	Total Reports of Influenza for the week ending 11-13-09
Gordon-Barbour Elem	381	0
Lightfoot Elementary	298	6
Locust Grove Elementary	653	49
Locust Grove Middle	826	5
OCHS	1,584	22
Orange Elementary	573	19
Prospect Heights Middle	498	3
Unionville Elementary	297	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,110</b>	<b>110</b>

Sincerely,



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