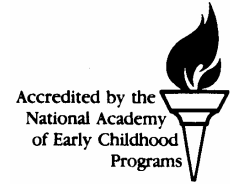




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Dear Academy Families,

Academy Child Development Center is in close contact with the county Department of Health & Human Services, our Health Care Consultant, and Public Health Services (DHHS/PHS) regarding the Swine Flu Virus. As always, Academy will maintain close communication with MCPS. The county is working closely with the state Department of Health and Mental Hygiene and the CDC to monitor the situation and will share further guidance with child care centers as it becomes available.

All our teachers and assistants have been given prevention information, reviewed the Sick Child Policy and the prescribed health and sanitation procedures. The centers are prepared to continue to strictly enforce our Sick Child Policy. By acting proactively and with your cooperation, we will maintain a healthy environment.

At all times, you are advised to continue to take the general precautions for preventing seasonal flu and other communicable diseases:

- Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Throw the tissue in the trash. Or cough or sneeze into the inside of your elbows. Don't send your sneeze or cough into the air. Wash your hands often with soap and water, especially after you cough or sneeze. Alcohol-based hand cleaners are also effective; however, they are not permitted in child care settings due to their flammable ingredients.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, or mouth. Germs spread that way. Try to avoid close contact with sick people.
- If you get sick, stay home from work or school and limit contact with others to keep from infecting them.
- Review Academy's Sick Child Policy which can be viewed on our website at www.academychild.com and click on policies.
- Additional information is available at the Montgomery County, Maryland website by using the following link http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/apps/News/press/PR_details.asp?PrID=5518.
- Montgomery County Department of Health and Human Services **Swine Flu Public Information Line** – 240-777-4200.

Our Directors have posted general information for parents and distributed the letter that we received from the county Department of Health and Human Services. Thank you for partnering with us to keep all of the children and staff healthy.

Sincerely,
Lesley Everhart, Administrator