



# Diocese of Providence

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# Memorandum

To: Parents

From: Sheila Durante  
Superintendent of Schools

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Re: **Swine Flu**

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I would like to take this opportunity to assure you as of the writing of this letter, there are no confirmed cases of Swine Flu in the Catholic Schools in the state, however, like all schools across the state and nation we are closely monitoring the situation.

I also want to assure you that our schools are following the directives that are sent each day by the Rhode Island Department of Health. Included with this letter is the update sent by the Health Department to each school dated April 29, 2009. The update provides sources that you may access for additional information. Another helpful source is [www.pandemicflu.gov](http://www.pandemicflu.gov).

Also know that I have distributed copies of the school (K-12) and daycare pandemic influenza planning checklists from the US Department of Education to each Catholic school in the Diocese of Providence. This communication lists infection control policies and procedures, monitoring symptoms and reporting along with continuity of instruction/operations.

Please know that all Catholic schools will follow all directives issued from the Rhode Island Department of Health and that we will continue to monitor the situation to ensure the safety of your child.