

Dear students, faculty, and staff,

As you know, the country, indeed, the world, is coping with the challenge of dealing with the H1N1 flu. Like seasonal flu, the H1N1 flu (also called swine flu) can be spread easily from person to person. Therefore, we at Indiana University Kokomo are taking steps to prevent the spread of the flu on our campus for as long as possible.



IU Kokomo is taking anti-flu precautions by closely monitoring the situation by working with the, following recommended procedures for disinfecting and sanitizing, and staying in regular contact with local public safety and security agencies. Please check our Web site at [www.iuk.edu/prepare](http://www.iuk.edu/prepare) for updated information.

A flu and pneumonia shot clinic will take place on campus on Wednesday, September 30, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Kelley Student Center, Room 132. This clinic will be for seasonal flu shots only, and NOT for H1N1 flu. The campus is working with the Howard County Health Department to host H1N1 clinics to provide shots for at-risk individuals. This information will be announced once details are completed. Also, faculty members are developing a plan to deal with student absences due to the flu. This plan will be shared with you as soon as it is finalized.

In addition, safeguard information can be found on posters that have been placed around campus, and at sanitizer stations, to remind students, staff and faculty about the importance protecting themselves and others from unwanted germs.

For now, we ask that all students, faculty, and staff follow a few guidelines to prevent the flu with these good health habits:

- **Avoid close contact.**

Avoid close contact with people who are sick. When you are sick, keep your distance from others to protect them from getting sick too.

- **Stay home when you are sick.**

If possible, stay home from work, school, and errands when you are sick.

- **Cover your mouth and nose.**

Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when coughing or sneezing.

- **Clean your hands.**

Washing your hands often will help protect you from germs. *\*\*There are also hand sanitizing stations located near most building entrances on campus.\*\**

- **Avoid touching your eyes, nose, or mouth.**

Germs are often spread when a person touches something that is contaminated with germs and then touches his or her eyes, nose, or mouth.

- **Practice other good health habits.**

Get plenty of sleep, be physically active, manage your stress, drink plenty of fluids, and eat nutritious food.

Thank you in advance for helping us to make IU Kokomo a safe and healthy place to learn.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Stuart Green".

Stuart Green  
Interim Chancellor