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Dear IST Community Members,

The H1N1 Response Team met this morning to review the situation with medical doctors and an epidemiologist from the Center for Disease Control. Following their medical advice, IST will remain open. H1N1 flu cases have been mild (similar to the normal flu and not life threatening).

IST will strive to maintain the core mission of the school which is the holding of academic classes. Some parts of IST's full program have been suspended for the moment in order to increase social distancing (avoiding the congregation of students/community members in a confined space). For instance, school assemblies and the ES Open House scheduled for this week have been postponed or cancelled.

This situation will continue to be reviewed on a daily basis by IST's H1N1 Response Team. **Updates will be posted on the IST website as needed and, if appropriate, messages sent home.** Information about H1N1 from the World Health Organization and the Center for Disease Control has been posted on the IST website. Information about the situation in Dar es Salaam is available through the Tanzanian Ministry of Health and its website. Please read it so that you will be fully informed.

- 1. Anyone with a fever should not enter the IST campus and should seek medical attention immediately.**
- 2. Return to IST should occur only after a medical doctor says that it is safe to return.**

If anyone in your family has a confirmed case of swine flu, please inform either the ES Office or SS Office immediately. Thank you for your help in safeguarding the health of the IST and its community.

Sincerely,

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