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ABSENTEEISM RATES CLOSE TO NORMAL AT PERU CSD

Student absenteeism rates were close to normal this morning. Unprecedented numbers of students were absent last week, due to illness, particularly in the middle school and the high school. The school district was told last week's substantial student absenteeism was associated with the increased level of influenza-type illness reported within Clinton County and our region of the North Country. Peru CSD was told we could expect this week's absenteeism patterns to be much closer to normal. Today, that is so.

The preliminary, rough counts of students absent and students sent home today are:

Grade Span	Rough Count of Students	Rough % of Student
	Absent or Sent Home Today	Attendance Today
High School Grades 9-12	52	92%
Middle School Grades 6-8	67	86%
Intermediate School Grades 3-5	83	82%
Primary School Grades K-2	79	82%

The total employee absenteeism rate across campus is substantially closer to normal.

As with student absenteeism, Peru CSD is tracking staff absenteeism daily, as part of county-wide monitoring and as part of assessing capacity each day, in regard to whether or not Peru CSD has adequate staffing to transport, supervise and instruct students, as part of having a full day of school.

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