

**10/14/2009**

Siena College's Health Services Department has identified the first case of the H1N1 virus on campus. A student who was evaluated and treated by the Health Services Department has been confirmed by positive culture results to have Influenza Type A, likely to be the H1N1 virus. In keeping with the college policy, the student has been placed on medical leave.

Siena College continues to monitor the situation and is following its Pandemic Influenza Response Plan and taking direction from the appropriate community agencies, including the New York State Department of Health and federal and local emergency agencies. We are cooperating with county public health offices to comply with guidance and recommendations.

**The College is continuing its normal operations**, but in the event of a change in the College operations, details will be e-mailed to students and faculty, as well as posted on this website.

We are asking everyone in the College community (students, faculty, administrators and staff) to monitor their email and this Web page for updates. Should the College receive direction from agencies to change College operations, we will notify all students and personnel through email and this page.

Also, please review the recommendations of the Centers for Disease Control for good health habits, [http://www.cdc.gov/flu/protect/habits.htm?s\\_cid+swineFlu\\_outbreak\\_003](http://www.cdc.gov/flu/protect/habits.htm?s_cid+swineFlu_outbreak_003), and monitor your health for flu-like symptoms.

Remember to continue washing your hands and using hand sanitizers. Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze and keep your hands away from your face. Avoid close contact with ill persons.

**Students:** If you experience fever of 100 degrees or greater, cough, sore throat, body aches, headache, chills and fatigue, call Health Services at **518-783-2554**. Also, prepare your own individual response plan in the event that you have to leave campus for medical reasons.

**Faculty/Staff/Administrators:** If you experience fever of 100 degrees or greater, cough, sore throat, body aches, headache, chills and fatigue, call your primary care physician, notify your supervisor and stay home.

Siena College's top priority is to ensure the health and safety of our students, faculty, administrators and staff.