

## **In Times of Potential Health Threats**

The health and safety of our students is very important to us in Clovis Unified. Concerns about recent serious health issues facing the nation might have parents and guardians wondering how Clovis Unified prepares for the possibility of community health threats. The District's efforts to prevent and prepare for the possibility of contagious illnesses in our community (from the common cold and/or flu to more dangerous viruses like Enterovirus 68 or Ebola) are developed in close communication with Fresno County Health Department.

These plans, which have been in existence for years provide for scaled responses that include everything from continuously promoting prevention methods like staying home if you have a fever/covering coughs/good hand-washing and sanitizing practices to worst case scenarios that would require schools to close for a short or long period of time. No matter what the level of threat, good communication with parents and guardians, and strong collaboration with local health experts allow us to be well-prepared to protect the health of our Clovis Unified students.