Greenville College’s Office of Student Affairs is monitoring the current health issues related to Swine Flu. In light of recent news coverage on the swine influenza A (H1N1) and the Public Health Emergency declared by the Department of Health and Human Services, our Greenville College Crisis response teams stands ready to activate existing plans that ensure the health and wellness of the Greenville College community and provide resources that support prevention.

At this time, there are NO reported cases of swine flu among the Greenville College community. However, the local physicians and hospital can diagnose the flu and provide the necessary antiviral medication to treat it. Those with symptoms are urged see a doctor immediately.

The following resources from the Center for Disease Control (CDC) provide additional background on the flu, including symptoms, infection, and prevention:

- CDC Swine Flu FAQ
- CDC Swine Flu Investigation

The college remains committed to the health and wellness of the Greenville College community, and encourages community members to continue to practice the following CDC-recommended actions to prevent the spread of germs:

- Wash your hands often. When soap and water are not available, use alcohol-based disposable hand wash or gel sanitizers.
- When coughing or sneezing, cover your mouth and nose with a tissue. If you don’t have a tissue, cough or sneeze into your sleeve, not your hand.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick. If you are sick, stay home and away from other people as much as possible. Get plenty of rest and check with your doctor.
- Get an annual flu shot.

If you are experiencing a fever, cough and/or sore throat or have been exposed to someone with a respiratory illness seven days preceding onset of symptoms, please see a physician.

In preparation for possible medical emergencies, the local physicians and hospital maintain a store of medical supplies, stays informed on current illnesses and preventative measures, and educates the community on healthy living.

For more on current health-related information, visit the World Health Organization website at www.who.int/en or follow the CDC on Twitter: http://twitter.com/CDCemergency/.