



MARTIN'S MILL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
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Dear Parent/Guardian:

Some schools in Texas are facing a break out of a particular type of STAPH infection called MSRA. It is necessary to communicate to you information about MSRA and some practical advice in preventing infections.

Please know that there is not any indicator at Martin's Mill ISD that we are facing this problem. Most of the cases are in other states with only a few found in Texas.

Below is given some practical advice for parents with regard to all infections:

Practical Advice for Parents:

- Clean wounds and cover them with a clean, dry bandage. Wounds that do not heal properly need medical attention. The only way to determine if an infection is caused by MRSA is through laboratory testing ordered by a physician or other health care provider.
- Teach children to wash their hands regularly, such as before eating and after using the bathroom. They also should use hand sanitizers when available.
- Be sure your family members use antibiotics properly. Take all that are prescribed, even if the symptoms stop before the prescription is used up. Do not share prescriptions.
- Children who participate in sports should wash their hands after each practice and game. They should not share equipment, uniforms, towels, or other personal items, such as razors. Wash uniforms and towels with hot water and detergent after each use.

Please keep these in mind when dealing with your children and their health. If you have any questions please feel free to contact the school.

Sincerely,

Todd Schneider
Superintendent
Martin's Mill ISD

"The Martin's Mill Community school is committed to individual excellence both in and out of the classroom. This will be accomplished by providing our students a quality education and the life skills to successfully meet the challenges of tomorrow in a democratic society."