

VIRDEN COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #4
Office of the Superintendent
231 W. Fortune Street
Virden, IL 62690
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September 26, 2008

Dear Parent/Guardian,

We currently have two high school students exhibiting symptoms of viral meningitis. One case has been confirmed to be viral meningitis, and the other is pending culture results.

Viral meningitis is the most common type of meningitis and is less severe than bacterial meningitis. In Illinois, an average of 600 cases of viral meningitis are reported annually.

We are being advised by medical professionals as to what procedures to follow. We have notified the Illinois Department of Public Health and they will contact us if necessary.

More information may be obtained by contacting the Illinois Department of Public Health web page (www.idph.state.il.us) or the Virden school web page (www.virdenschools.com).

Sincerely,

Ron Graham
Superintendent

RG/tlf

Randy Niles
HS Principal

Bruce Paisley
Asst. Principal

Debra Bommarito
Elem. Principal

Jill Murphy RN
School Nurse