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Carlos Garcia  
Superintendent of Schools  
San Francisco Unified School District  
555 Franklin Street  
San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Superintendent Garcia:

Thank you for bringing Trish Bascom to the August meeting of the union and administration. We are concerned about the preparation of the district to deal with the possible H1N1 outbreak. Unfortunately, the lack of specificity in Ms. Bascom's presentation did little to assuage our layman's worries about all this.

Attached is a checklist provided by the AFT that we, at UESF, have reviewed. We found that we overwhelmingly responded in the negative. I ask you to read through the checklist and decide if the San Francisco Unified School District is prepared.

I think we are not prepared.

We stand ready to meet with you and flesh out an adequate plan as soon as possible. Meyla Ruwin is aware that two school nurses have been specifically trained at union expense to help prepare the district.

We would like to see the written version of the district's pandemic influenza plan, no matter what state of development it resides and also request an update on the district's emergency plan that has been under development by Mr. Bitoff.

The information must be clearly articulated to all staff and families so that we can approach this important school and community concern.

We will appreciate a response one week from today, September 8, 2009.

Sincerely,

Dennis Kelly  
President

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