Dear Parent/Guardian:

A child at our school has suspected measles. The student is being properly cared for and receiving medical treatment. Measles is a highly contagious virus spread through the air when an infected person coughs or sneezes.

**Signs and symptoms:** Fever, cough, runny nose, and red, watery eyes, small red spots in mouth, rash that starts on the face and extends down to the trunk.

**Controlling and preventing the spread of measles:** vaccination with the MMR vaccine is the most effective means to control spread of the disease. Additionally, good hand-washing techniques and covering coughs at home and school will help with the spread of all diseases.

Please monitor your child for any signs and symptoms and contact your health care provider immediately if your child develops these symptoms.

We are in communication with the Toledo Lucas County Health Department (TLCHD) for the appropriate course of action to keep our students and staff healthy and safe. The school is taking all steps recommended by TLCHD to prevent further spread of the suspected measles case.

Thank you for your partnership with us in keeping our children healthy.

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