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H1N1 Case Confirmed at Lawrence

APPLETON, Wis. – The Appleton Health Department informed Lawrence University Wednesday, May 20, 2009, that a case of H1N1 influenza was confirmed by the Wisconsin State Laboratory of Hygiene.

The confirmed case is a Lawrence University student who is being isolated from the rest of campus community. The Lawrence Health Center has asked all Lawrence students, faculty, and staff experiencing influenza-like symptoms to contact the Health Center regarding medical treatment and testing for the H1N1 virus, as needed. Lawrence is distributing masks to those with coughs, as an added preventive measure.

The college is also advising students, faculty, and staff to follow every day preventative actions including hand washing, using alcohol-based hand sanitizers, covering coughs and sneezes, and avoiding close contact with others who are sick.

“Along with the health department, we are monitoring this health situation closely,” said Nancy Truesdell, vice president for student affairs and dean of students. “We are asking each member of our campus community to take personal responsibility for their health and to do what they can to prevent the spread of disease.”

The number of visitors to the Lawrence Health Center has not increased significantly since an announcement about a probable case of H1N1 was made to the campus community Tuesday. Classes and other events at Lawrence University will continue as scheduled. Those who are not feeling well have been asked to stay home.

About Lawrence University

Charting an uncommon course in higher education for more than 160 years, Lawrence University uniquely integrates a college of liberal arts and sciences with a conservatory of music, both devoted exclusively to undergraduate education. It ranks among the nation's best small, private colleges, and was selected for inclusion in the book “Colleges That Change Lives: 40 Schools That Will Change the Way You Think About College.” The development of multiple interests and community engagement are central to the Lawrence experience, where classes or creative and research projects tailored to students' educational interests and life objectives are prevalent. Lawrence draws its 1,450 students from 46 states and 51 countries. Its picturesque, residential campus is nestled on the banks of the Fox River in Appleton, Wisconsin. For more information about Lawrence University visit www.lawrence.edu.