CHEYLIN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 103

"Home of the Cougars"

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

It is important to keep our students healthy and our parents informed at Cheylin. We have been given notice through the Cheyenne County Health Nurse, Mila Bandel, that a child in the county has been positively diagnosed with pertussis (whooping cough). This particular case is in a family that is being treated and the child is not a student at Cheylin. Nurse Bandel has provided the enclosed Pertussis Q&A handout from the CDC.gov website. CDC.gov is the **BEST and most accurate** website resource for parents to learn the facts about the very contagious disease. The best way to prevent pertussis is by vaccination. A large percentage of the children/students in Cheyenne County have already been vaccinated for pertussis, but not all. Parents are NOT to become panicked with this situation, however, it needs to be taken seriously. It is important for sick children to remain home and see their healthcare provider as necessary. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Shelly P. Angelos Superintendent/Pk-12 Principal USD 103 Cheylin