## **HEALTHY HABITS to STAY WELL and PREVENT SPREADING GERMS**

- WASH YOUR HANDS OFTEN with soap and water especially after coughing, sneezing or blowing your nose. Alcohol-based hand cleaners are also effective.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth to help prevent the spread of viruses.
- **Don't share** food, utensils, beverages or anything that might be contaminated with germs.
- Try to avoid close contact with sick people.
- Stay home when sick, especially with flu-like symptoms of fever and cough. Stay home for at least 24 hours after being fever free without the use of fever reducing medicine.
- Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Throw the tissue in the trash and wash your hands.
- Cough and sneeze into your sleeve or elbow instead of your hands if you don't have a tissue.
- Clean surfaces that may be contaminated with germs using household disinfectant cleaners.
- Get a flu shot every year to help prevent seasonal flu.
- Get an H1N1 vaccine if it is recommended for you.