

It's that time of year to get a flu vaccine!

Attention Parents/Guardians:

Once again, it's time to register your child for the Flu vaccine. This year, due to the limited availability of the Flu Mist, we will be providing the Flu shot to the High Schools and Middle Schools instead of Flu Mist. We will continue to provide Flu Mist to the Elementary schools. It is very important to receive a flu vaccine this season as it is the best way to protect yourself from the flu.



PLEASE NOTE: Parents are welcome to be present, and vaccinated, when their child receives their flu shot. Clinic staff will stabilize your child's arm; but will not restrain your child. Uncooperative or combative students will not be vaccinated. You will be notified if you authorized your child's vaccination and your child did not get vaccinated at the school located flu clinic.

*All students will be offered the Flu shot vaccine at NO COST TO THEIR FAMILIES! However, if your child has health insurance, we are required to collect that information and bill the company for the vaccine. There will be no co-pay or deductible due. Children without insurance will receive the vaccine for free through the Vaccines for Children program. Your child's health insurance status will stay confidential.

Take advantage of this program by:

- **Reading** the Vaccine Information Statement and the Notice of Privacy Practices
AND
- **Filling out** the consent form, attached, and returning it to your child's school.

Consent Form is due by September 25, 2019

Clinics will begin in Sept; your school will let you know when your child will be receiving the Flu shot.

Staff will review your child's form to determine if s/he can receive the Flu shot. You will be contacted if your child is ineligible to receive the shot.

VACCINATING CHILDREN CAN PROTECT THEM FROM FLU ALL YEAR

- Vaccinating school children can stop the spread of flu infections, creating "Community Immunity."
- The best way to prevent the flu is to get a flu vaccine *every year*.
- The Flu shot vaccine protects against four different types of flu.

THE CONSENT FORM MUST BE RETURNED TO YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL BY SEPTEMBER 25, 2019.

Please, complete the consent form even if you do not want your child to participate! For more information, visit our website at Controlflu.com or contact the Health Department at (352) 334-7916.