



Juneau County Health Department

200 Hickory Street
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Dear Parent or Guardian:

A new school year is here and influenza season will be upon us soon. Influenza is a contagious virus that may cause fever/chills, sore throat, muscle aches, fatigue, cough, headache, and a runny/stuffy nose. The best way to keep our students healthy is to immunize them against influenza (flu). The Juneau County Health Department is working with your child's school to give the seasonal influenza vaccine to children at school. This vaccine will protect against the influenza strains that are expected to circulate this year.

The flu vaccinations (**Fluarix Quadrivalent Preservative Free shots only**) will be provided **FREE** of charge from the Juneau County Health Department and the Wisconsin Immunization Program as part of a mass immunization exercise. Not only is this a way to vaccinate a significant number of children against the seasonal influenza, the exercise will serve as practice and testing of the area public health response in the event of a sudden and serious public health emergency.

We are holding a school influenza vaccination clinic on November 6th, 2018 at Necedah Area School District. Routine influenza vaccination is recommended for all persons age 6 months or older. Depending on whether they've received influenza vaccines in the past, some children younger than nine years of age will need two doses of vaccine spaced about 4 weeks apart.

If you have any questions about the vaccine or the vaccination clinics, please call Tina at 608-847-9378. Please visit the CDC's influenza website at <http://www.cdc.gov/flu> and also <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/vis/current-vis.html> for seasonal influenza vaccine information statements.

Please complete the consent form (on the opposite side of this form) ONLY if you want your child to receive the influenza vaccine.
All consents need to be returned to Necedah School by Monday November 5th, 2018.

Stay Healthy,

Tina Sullivan, RN,BSN

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