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## **Buffalo County Health Department**

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September 24th, 2020

Dear Parent(s) of a Child/Children in the C-FC School District:

Buffalo County Public Health is planning a school-based flu clinic to vaccinate all children within the school district who are in Early Childhood/4 Year-Old Kindergarten through Grade 12 as this is a group at increased risk of getting and spreading influenza.

Flu vaccines will be offered October 13<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> by drive-thru clinic and in-school clinic. Parents of children in Early Childhood-3<sup>rd</sup> Grade are <u>required</u> to be present with their child at the time of vaccination. All other parents of children in 4<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades are welcome to attend with their child in the drive-thru clinic, but this is optional.

## Drive-thru:

- Drive-thru will be offered from 6:30-7:30 AM and from 3:45-4:45 PM on October 13th and 15th.
- A vaccination station will be located near entrance to the high school.
- It is recommended that A students attend October 15th, and B students attend October 13th.
- If your child is not in a cohort, it is recommended that A-L last names attend October 13th, and M-Z last names attend October 15th.

## in-school:

- In-person will be offered during the school day on October 13<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>.
- This option will only be available to students in 4th 12th grades who will not have a parent present during vaccination.
- A students will be vaccinated during the school day on October 15th.
- B students will be vaccinated during the school day on October 13th.

Please complete bottom of page and attached consent form. If you wish for your child to receive the seasonal flu vaccine during the school day, you will need to complete this form and return it to the school nurse by October 12th. Your child will not be vaccinated without your consent. If you wish for your child to receive the seasonal flu vaccine during the drive-thru clinic, you will need to complete the consent form and bring it with you for your child's vaccination.

There is no cost for the vaccine. However, you will notice a section to add your insurance information. With your information and signature, you provide permission for Buffalo County Public Health to bill your insurance company for a small administration fee. This should not affect your insurance and will allow for Buffalo County Public Health to continue providing seasonal influenza vaccine and other vaccine services.

The seasonal influenza vaccine is safe. A vaccine information statement is available on the Alma School or Buffalo County Public Health websites or at <a href="http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/vis/vis-statements/flu.html">http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/vis/vis-statements/flu.html</a>. There will also be copies at the clinic.

For more information, you may contact Buffalo County Public Health at (608) 685-4412.

Sincerely.

Josie Knauber, BSN, RN Public Health Nurse

**Buffalo County Health & Human Services** 

Return to school nurse by October 12th:

\_\_\_\_\_Myself/my child intends on being vaccinated during the in-school clinic (include attached consent form with this slip).

\_\_Myself/my child intends on being vaccinated during the drive-thru clinic (keep consent form with you for vaccination day).