

## BARRON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES



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Dear Parents or Guardians,

Barron County Public Health recognizes that the best way to prevent influenza or "the flu" is to be vaccinated. This school year Barron County Public Health will vaccinate Barron County youth, at NO COST to families. Public Health will be offering a flu vaccine clinic at **Cameron Schools on Friday October 23rd.** Middle and High School students will receive the vaccine beginning at 1:00 p.m. **Elementary students will receive the vaccine in the Elementary Conference Room from approximately 2:45 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. with a parent or guardian present**.

Attached is the vaccine information sheet (VIS) for the injectable (shot) vaccine and a consent form. Public Health will not be offering the flu nasal spray.

If you choose to have your child vaccinated, please read through the VIS, complete the consent form for your child, and return the consent form to your child's school office. Please complete a separate consent form for each student who will receive the vaccine. Consent forms are due back to your child's school office by October 22, 2020. If you do not want your child to receive the influenza vaccine, do not return the form.

The CDC recommends that all individuals age 6 months and older receive the influenza vaccine. Because school settings are places where many things are "shared", including illness, all students and staff are felt to be at risk for becoming ill with influenza.

If you have any questions regarding the school flu clinics or the flu vaccine, please call the Barron County Public Health Department at 715-537-5691 ext. 6442. Thank you for keeping the health of your children and others a priority.

Sincerely,

Laura Sauve, RN, BSN Barron County Health Officer