



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. We will be offering a flu vaccine clinic at Cameron Schools on **Monday, November 14th**. Middle and High School students will receive the vaccine in the Cameron Board Room from **1:00 to 2:30 p.m.** Elementary students will receive the vaccine in the Elementary Conference Room from **2:45 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. and MUST have a parent or guardian present.**

Attached is the vaccine information sheet (VIS) for the injectable (shot) vaccine and a consent form. The nasal spray was found to not be as effective last year and will not be offered.

If you wish 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. **A separate consent form is needed for each student who will receive the vaccine.** Consent forms are due back to your child’s school office by **Thursday November 10th**. **Return the form if you want your child vaccinated, if you do not want your child vaccinated, 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 a lot of 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 715-537-6127 or 715-537-6126. Thank you for keeping the health of your children and others a priority.

Sincerely,

Laura Sauve, RN, BSN
Barron County Health Officer