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Dear Parents/guardians:

The St. Francois County Health Center is working with your child's school to give the annual influenza vaccine to children at school. This vaccine will protect against influenza strains that are expected to circulate this year. We will hold the vaccination clinic on **October 18th**. There will be no cost to you for this vaccine. *If the completed form is NOT sent back in, the vaccination will NOT be given to your child.* Depending on whether they've gotten influenza vaccines in the past, some children younger than nine years of age will need two doses of vaccine spaced 4 weeks apart. Your child can receive the second dose of vaccine at St. Francois County Health Center.

If you have any questions about the vaccine or the vaccination clinics, please call your child's school nurse. Please visit the CDC's influenza web site at <http://www.cdc.gov/flu/> and also <http://www.cdc.gov/flu/parents> for information especially for parents. Your child's health care provider also can answer your questions about the influenza virus.

Sincerely,

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