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Dear Mercer County High School Parents/Guardians,

Mercer County Health Department will be holding a **Free H1N1 Flu Clinic at Mercer County High School on Wednesday, November 4th, 2009** starting at 8:30am. **This H1N1 flu clinic will be for any 9th-12th grade student still needing the vaccine.** Other school age clinics may be offered in the future, but none are scheduled at this time. Please find a consent form and Vaccine Information Sheet attached to this letter. The consent form needs to be completed front and back including a parent/guardian signature and returned with your child the day of the clinic. The students will be released from class by their teachers and sent to receive the vaccination. Please note that **only** H1N1 flu shots will be available during this clinic, **there will be no nasal flu mist offered.** The consent form will be reviewed for completion and accuracy and the student will be questioned regarding their current health status. If the ok is given by the nurse, your child will be vaccinated and sent back to class.

Please note that another community based free H1N1 Flu Clinic will be held on October 29th, 2009 from 4:00pm-6:30pm at the VFW in Aledo. No appointment is necessary. H1N1 Flu shots and nasal mist will be available during this community clinic. Priority groups sent down by the CDC will still be followed and are as follows:

H1N1 mist (October 29th, flu clinic only)

- Healthy people age 2-24 years of age
- Healthy household contacts and caregivers for children younger than 6 months of age that are up to 49 years of age
- Healthy healthcare and emergency medical services personnel up to 49 years of age

H1N1 injectable

- People age 6 months – 24 years of age
- Household contacts and caregivers for children younger than 6 months of age
- People up to age 64 with a chronic health condition
- Healthcare and emergency medical services personnel
- Pregnant women

Please contact Mercer County Health Department with any questions regarding any H1N1 Flu clinics. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Julie VanMelkebeke
Emergency Preparedness Coordinator