

To: Parents or Guardians,

INFLUENZA VACCINE INFORMATION

DSHS from Sulphur Springs will be here on **Wednesday, October 27th** to provide influenza vaccines. They will be here from **8am – approx. 1pm**. The clinic will be open to the community from 8-9 and again from 11-1. Faculty, staff, and students of Cumby ISD will be served promptly beginning at 9.

The price this year is: \$20 for an individual or \$30 for a family (family means 2 or more people who reside in the same household). If you have Medicare, bring your card with you and it will be covered. If the child has Medicaid then I will need a copy (not the original) of it and the cost will be covered. **If for some reason you are financially unable to pay the amount, let DSHS know and they will work with you so that you can still receive the shot. They will not turn anyone due to not having the money.**

There are two types of influenza vaccines:

Inactivated Influenza Vaccine (killed virus) or flu shot which can be given to anyone 6 months and up. Individuals should not get the vaccine if they have a severe reaction to the flu shot or have/had Guillain Barre Syndrome (you will have to go to your PCP).

Live Attenuated Influenza Vaccine (nasal spray/Flu Mist – LAIV) is for ages 2 years and up. It is not recommended for: children younger than 5 years with asthma or a wheezing episode, individuals who have had one episode of wheezing within the past year, long-term health problems, a seizure disorder or other nerve disorder or muscle disorder, a weakened immune system or anyone that lives with someone that has a weakened immune system.

****Anyone who has an allergy to eggs can NOT get either vaccination!!****

At the vaccination clinic this year adults will only be given the injection. Children (Pre-K – 12) will have the option of injection or nasal spray.

Parents, if you **want** your child to have the vaccination please send back the bottom portion of this form by Monday, October 11th. Once I receive this form, I will send home the vaccination packet that MUST be filled out COMPLETELY for your child only. Please return the completed vaccination packet by the assigned date I will provide, even if you will be attending the clinic. Do NOT send any money until the day of the clinic, I will send home reminders. If you have a child/ren that is in Jr. High or High School and would like a form for them, call or email me and I will send a form home with him/her or you may pick it up. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. Thanks so much!!

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Students Name: _____ Vaccination type: _____

Language of form (English or Spanish): _____ Will you be present during the clinic? _____