

School Vaccination Clinic

Frequently Asked Questions:

- ? Will the vaccine at schools be the Flu Mist nasal spray vaccine which is a live virus?
- Most of the vaccine will be Flu Mist. While the nasal mist is a live virus, it has been weakened so that it will **not** cause illness. If you have further questions, please refer to the Vaccine information sheet marked “Live, Attenuated.”
- ? What if my child has already been ill with H1N1?
- Even if your child has been ill this year, they should still be vaccinated. Unless your child was hospitalized due to illness, they have not been confirmed to have had the H1N1 influenza. Vaccinating them ensures they are protected.
- ? Shouldn't I just wait and have my medical provider vaccinate all my children at the same time?
- While you are welcome to wait, it will likely be quite some time before your medical provider is able to host a vaccination clinic. Please consider vaccinating your eligible child now.
- ? Is vaccination mandatory?
- No, this is a voluntary vaccination. However, because we feel it is extremely important for all children to be vaccinated it is our goal to do what we can to keep kids healthy and in school. To encourage participation, there is no cost associated with these clinics.
- ? Who is giving this vaccine? What will my child require?
- Vaccine will be administered by licensed nurses. Children are immunized based on the information you provide on the consent forms. Please complete them carefully.
- ? What if my child has been on Tamiflu, Relenza or another antiviral drug?
- Please indicate when they received their last dose of medicine on their consent form. They will still be able to receive vaccine.
- ? What if my child has been ill?
- Unless your child is too ill to attend school, they are eligible to receive the vaccine.