SHERMAN COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Dear USD 352 Parent,

In May 2018, the Kansas Department of Health and Environment updated their isolation and quarantine requirements for infectious or contagious diseases.

K.A.R. 28-1-6 states that <u>each person with a case of influenza is required to be isolated</u> at home for five days following the onset of illness (except when seeking medical <u>care</u>) or for 24 hours free without fever reducing medication for 24 hours. A fever is defined by the CDC as 100° or higher.

<u>The best preventative step is to get a flu shot</u>. The CDC recommends everyone 6 months of age and older should get a flu shot every year before flu activity begins in their community.

We are happy to partner with USD 352 Administration again this year to offer a flu clinic for students in the district. The clinic is scheduled for Tuesday, November 19 at your child's school. We will start the clinic at 8:30 AM in the High School gym and move forward from there. Please feel free to come and support your child if you would like.

If you would like for your child to participate in the immunization clinic, please fill out the attached Vaccine Administration Record. Fill out the top section (name, address, age and phone number) completely. Parents or guardians must sign for minor children. If the child has health insurance please fill out the insurance section on the form. Indicate the name of the policy holder and their birthdate as well as the policy number. If you do not have insurance, USD 352 and Sherman County Health Department have arranged to provide the vaccine for the clinic. Whether you have insurance or not, you will pay NO out of pocket expense. Please return the filled out form to the school no later than Friday, November 15th so we can insure we have enough vaccine on hand.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at the Health Department or Carrie Peter, School nurse.

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