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Dear Parent or Guardian,

LaSalle County Health Department will be at Leland School to provide H1N1 "swine flu" vaccinations to the students and staff on Thursday, December 3, beginning at 8:30 a.m.

Please read the attached consent form and complete the form with your child's information. As you complete the form, please be aware that it is very important that you provide the dates and type of flu vaccine your child has received during the 2009 flu season. You will need to identify whether they received seasonal flu vaccine or H1N1 swine flu vaccine. Additionally, you will also need to indicate if they received the vaccine as an injection or as a nasal mist. If you have any questions about what your child received, please contact the provider who administered the vaccine to your child for clarification.

Your child's participation in this vaccination effort is strictly voluntary. Recognizing the importance of vaccinating as many people as possible to control the outbreak and spread of illness from the H1N1-Swine Flu virus, LaSalle County Health Department will be providing the vaccine to LaSalle County residents at no charge.

Information on the H1N1- Swine Flu disease and vaccine, including Vaccine Information Statements for each formulation of the vaccine, are available on the LaSalle County Health Department web site. Also available for downloading and printing is a copy of the parental consent form. The VIS forms provide very helpful information on the disease as well as the vaccine.

LaSalle County Health Department is requesting that **all** students return a signed and completed consent form to the school prior to the date of the clinic. When signing the consent form, please be aware that you have the option **to consent** for your child to be vaccinated or **not to consent** to having your child vaccinated. If your child is participating in the vaccination clinic, they will be given an immunization record and a VIS for the vaccine which was administered to them. If your child is age 9 or younger, they will require a second dose of vaccine. LaSalle County Health Department will notify you when we will be returning to the school to administer second doses.

For further information or downloadable forms, please visit [www.lasallecounty.org/hd](http://www.lasallecounty.org/hd) . You may also call (815)433-3366, option 8 for updated flu information.