



BLUE VALLEY SCHOOLS
COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT
15020 Metcalf Ave.
Overland Park, KS 66283-0901
913-239-4000

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

DATE: Nov. 12, 2009

CONTACT: Blue Valley: (913) 239-4043
JCHD: (913) 477-8436

Blue Valley H1N1 Inoculation Clinic expands to students Pre-K-5

The Johnson County Health Department (JCHD) and the Blue Valley School District will host a third H1N1 inoculation clinic on **Wednesday, Nov. 18 from 4 – 7 p.m.** The target groups will include previous priority groups and expand to include students in grades Pre-K-5 and their siblings up to age 18 in the Blue Valley area. The clinic will be held at the Blue Valley District Office located at 15020 Metcalf Ave. for each of the following priority groups only:

- Students grades Pre-K – 5 and their siblings up to age 18
- Ages 6 months – 4 yrs
- Ages 5-18 with high risk medical condition
- Pregnant women
- **Primary** care givers of infants under 6 months of age (this does not include daycare providers)

Due to the limited supply of vaccine that JCHD is able to supply each week, JCHD is requesting that the district focus on these five priority groups for the Nov. 18 clinic. As more vaccine becomes available each week, additional clinics will be offered and additional groups will have opportunities to be vaccinated. Please continue to check the district's Web site at www.bluevalleyk12.org under "Hot Topics" for clinic information and updates.

The clinic will feature both injectable vaccine and the Flu Mist. Pregnant women and those who have chronic medical conditions will be given the injectable version. Vaccines will be provided at the clinic on a first-come, first-serve basis to Blue Valley area residents who meet the targeted populations. Residents attending the clinic may encounter long lines. In addition, parking will be limited so carpooling is recommended.

Any child under the age of 15 should be accompanied by an adult. In addition, parents or guardians will be required to sign a vaccination consent form prior to any child under the age of 18 receiving the vaccine. **The H1N1 consent form and an H1N1 vaccine information form are available to download at www.bluevalleyk12.org under Hot Topics.** Completed consent forms should be brought to the clinic. Forms will also be available at the clinic, but downloading and completing the consent form in advance is strongly recommended.

Due to the unknown supply of vaccine that the district will receive each week, JCHD and the Blue Valley School District strongly encourages frequent visits to the district's Web site for important updates. These updates will be available at www.bluevalleyk12.org under Hot Topics. Visitors to the district's H1N1 vaccination Web site can sign up for email updates when new information is posted to the page. For health questions related to the H1N1 vaccination, please contact the Johnson County Health Department flu information line at (913) 826-1263 or Blue Valley at (913) 239-4009. For general questions about Blue Valley's Nov. 18 clinic, call (913) 239-4043.