



Healthy School LLC, in cooperation with The Volusia County Public Schools and the Volusia County Department of Health, is excited to kick off the **“Teach Flu a Lesson” program for 2017!**

Every year, thousands of children miss valuable time from the classroom because of the dreaded flu. If that is not bad enough, they also carry it home, infect loved ones and cause everyone to miss school and work. Based on the data from other counties within the State of Florida and in other states, we know the in-school flu vaccination program works.

As we move into the 2017-18 flu season, there are changes to the vaccination program. The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) do not recommend using the flu mist as a vaccine, so the only vaccine available for this year will be administered by injection. Healthy Schools LLC trained and skilled staff of nurses will be providing this pediatric recommended flu vaccine at your child’s school **beginning October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017.** Information will be available at your school and/or on the district website indicating the specific date each school is scheduled to administer the vaccine.

Healthy Schools LLC is pleased to support your family in having a healthy flu season. Please complete the 2017-18 Vaccine Consent Form as soon as possible and return it to school. **THIS FORM MUST BE RETURNED REGARDLESS OF PARTICIPATION. IF YOU DO NOT WANT TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS FREE PROGRAM PLEASE ONLY COMPLETE THE TOP PORTION AND “CHECK” THE BOX MARKED NO.** The vaccine consent form and Notice of Privacy Practices are also available on the Healthy Schools LLC website at [www.healthyschoolsllc.com](http://www.healthyschoolsllc.com). At the time of vaccination, a copy of the Notice of Privacy Practices along with a post vaccination letter will be given to your student(s) for your records.

There will be no out of pocket expense for services provided and the benefit is providing better protection against the flu this season. If you have any questions, contact Healthy Schools LLC at 1-800-566-0596 or email at [info@healthyschoolsllc.com](mailto:info@healthyschoolsllc.com).

Sincerely,

*The Healthy Schools Team*