FREE FLU VACCINE
STEPHENS COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Dear Parents/Guardians:

This season we would like to help protect our student body from the flu by providing flu vaccinations during school hours. The Health Department will be offering influenza vaccination with one of two kinds of vaccine. If you have insurance, your insurance provider will be charged.

**Flumist**: (Intranasal Influenza Virus Vaccine) - is a flu vaccine that is sprayed into the nose.

**Inactivated**: (Injectable Influenza Virus Vaccine) – is a flu vaccine that is given as a shot.

The Vaccine will be given at these locations:
- **BIG A ELEMENTARY SCHOOL** ----- **SEPTEMBER 26**
- **TOCCOA ELEMENTARY** ------------ **OCTOBER 3**
- **STEPHENS CO. MIDDLE SCHOOL**-- **OCTOBER 9**
- **EASTANOLLEE ELEMENTARY** ----- **OCTOBER 10**
- **LIBERTY ELEMENTARY** --------------- **OCTOBER 17**

A consent form will be sent home which will need to be completed and returned to school.

Phase 1. The choice of the vaccine will depend on the answers to your child’s health questions on the consent form. Children through age 8 may need a second dose approximately one month after the first dose. We will provide the second dose during Phase 2.

We would like to thank you in advance for assisting us in keeping all of our students safe and healthy. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school nurse or your healthcare provider regarding the flu vaccine.

Please understand that participation and receipt of the influenza vaccine through this program is completely voluntary. Your child’s health care provider can also answer your questions regarding the influenza virus and will be able to give your child the seasonal influenza vaccine. For additional information please visit the CDC’s influenza web site at [http://www.cdc.gov/flu/](http://www.cdc.gov/flu/) and also [http://www.cdc.gov/flu/parents](http://www.cdc.gov/flu/parents).