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Beat the Back-to-School Rush, Get Immunizations Now

DALLAS (July 10, 2017) – Dallas County Health and Human Services (DCHHS) is reminding all parents that now is the best time to get required school vaccinations. DCHHS is urging parents to bring their children in early before the back-to-school rush. There are six clinics open Monday-Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m to help parents kick off the school year.

“Planning for the next school year may not be on the minds of parents or students as we are in the middle of summer, however waiting lines for immunizations are expected to spike in the coming weeks.” said Zachary Thompson, DCHHS director. “We know from previous years the lines are much longer as we get closer to school starting.”

Appointments aren’t necessary. The cost for Texas Vaccine for Children (TVFC) eligible immunizations is $10 for the child’s first visit and $5 for returning patients. Waivers are given to families in need. Clinic locations are:

- **DCHHS Stemmons Immunization Clinic**
  2377 N. Stemmons Freeway, Rm. 159 (first floor) in Dallas
  Extended hours 8 a.m. – 6 p.m. Wednesday
- **Oak Cliff Branch Immunization Clinic**
  1113 E. Jefferson Blvd. Suite 200 in Dallas
- **John West Branch Immunization Clinic**
  3312 N. Buckner Blvd. Suite 200 in Dallas
- **Irving Branch Immunization Clinic**
  440 S. Nursery Rd. in Irving
- **North Dallas Branch Immunization Clinic**
  8202 Spring Valley Rd. #200
- **Carrollton Farmers Branch Immunization Clinic**
  2774 Valwood Pkwy. in Farmers Branch

College students are also able to get the state required meningitis vaccine at DCHHS clinics. Without the vaccine, they cannot enter college. Those students include anyone who is a first-time student of a public, private or independent institution of higher education, transfer student or a student who previously attended an institution of higher education before January 1, 2012 who is now enrolling again following a break in enrollment.

For more information, visit the DCHHS website: [www.dallascounty.org/department/hhs](http://www.dallascounty.org/department/hhs)

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