



Good Afternoon. This is Doug Reisig, Superintendent of Hellgate Elementary.

I have something I need to share with you.

As you may be aware, the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) has approved, for emergency use, the Pfizer vaccine for children ages five through 11 (5 to 11). As such, on Friday, November 12<sup>th</sup>, from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. to accommodate the work schedules of parents, Hellgate Elementary, in partnership with the University of Montana School of Pharmacy, will be conducting a Covid vaccination clinic at the school district for Hellgate Elementary students ages five through 11 (5 to 11).

The clinic, which will be a voluntary participation clinic event based on parental choice, will be held in the Building #4 cafeteria. A parent or guardian must be present during their child's vaccination appointment. The follow-up 2<sup>nd</sup> shot clinic will be conducted in three weeks, also held at Hellgate Elementary, being tentatively scheduled for Friday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Should you wish for your child to participate in the voluntary participation vaccination clinic, you must complete the necessary paperwork and complete the documents contained in the instructional link. Time slots will be reserved on a first come/first serve basis. The URL for the link is listed below in this email message:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4CA5A622A5FBCF8-111221>

The goal will be to vaccinate 8 students (ages five to eleven) every 10 minutes so it is important to reserve a time slot for your child if you wish to participate in the clinic. Please keep in mind, this vaccination clinic is only for Hellgate Elementary students within the five to eleven (5 to 11) years of age window. We will not be able to accommodate older students as the vaccination dosage is different for older students. Pharmacies across the Missoula area have the ability to administer vaccination doses to older students.

The school district will set aside special areas in the Building #4 cafeteria for those students who may be in need of more privacy for the vaccination shot to be administered. Refreshments will be provided to those students who register for the Covid Pfizer vaccination event as they will be asked to remain in the cafeteria for 15 minutes following the administration of the vaccine shot.

As always, as things continue to change, I will work to keep you as informed as possible.

Stay safe and healthy!