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Dear Parents,

Clinton and Jackson County Early Childhood Iowa, I-Smile™ Dental Home Project, and Visiting Nurse Services are pleased to tell you about a program that will be done in your child's school by a Public Health Dental Hygienist. This program will provide the students with dental education, a dental screening, and fluoride varnish application at no charge to you.

This program allows the children and their families to:

- learn about dental health and ways to prevent cavities
- assistance in finding a dentist to receive dental services
- receive dental screenings and fluoride varnish applications

**Each child receiving a dental screening and fluoride varnish application MUST HAVE A COMPLETED PARENTAL CONSENT FORM returned to your child's teacher by:**

(Date) \_\_\_\_\_

**Screening information:**

- Is a visible screening, no instruments are used, no x-rays taken
- Results will be sent home to parents the same day
- Follow up will be done by I-Smile™ Dental Home Project to see that your child has been to the dentist and any needed treatment is completed
- Each child will receive a new toothbrush, toothpaste, etc.

**Fluoride Varnish Information:**

- Helps prevent cavities and can stop cavities in early stages
- Tooth colored liquid that is painted on the teeth
- Is safe for all ages
- Able to eat and drink right after application
- After the application, students will wait to brush until the next morning

The dental screening does not take the place of regular dental exams by your child's dentist, but will be counted as a valid dental screening that is needed when entering Kindergarten. Please complete all questions on the attached form and return to your child's teacher ASAP. If you have any questions or concerns feel free to contact me at (319) 362-3149.

Thank you,

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