

# SAN JUAN BASIN public health

Dear Parents,

San Juan Basin Public Health School Dental Program is happy to provide dental services at:

This is our 19<sup>TH</sup> year providing La Plata parents with the opportunity to have their child receive **FREE DENTAL SERVICES in their own school during the school day.**

We seek to make good dental care as easy, affordable and convenient to families as possible. A healthy mouth (teeth and gums) means a healthy body and children have been shown to do better in school and miss less days. **All students can participate.**

**FREE preventive dental services available for your child, provided by a Registered Dental Hygienist:**

- Dental screening
- Fluoride varnish application
- Oral hygiene education (i.e. good brushing, etc.)
- Sealants (as needed, see below)
- Referrals to a dentist (if decay/cavities or other concerns are suspected)

**Additional Service at low cost or covered 100% by Health First Colorado (Medicaid):**

- Teeth Cleaning: \$40 (ages 6 & under) or \$50 (ages 7 & up)

We accept Health First Colorado (Medicaid) as well as cash/check payments. All services are covered by Health First Colorado (Medicaid) and we will bill this for you. If your child does not have Medicaid and you would like a cleaning, please see attached form for prices. Please make checks out to SJBPH.

**Dental sealants** are thin, plastic coatings painted on the chewing surfaces of the back teeth in order to keep out the germs and food that cause cavities. The American Dental Association recommends that children receive sealants on their permanent molars as soon as those teeth come in. If your child is 5 to 7 years old or 11 to 14 years old, he/she may be eligible to have sealants placed on their molars.

**Step 1:** Fill out the consent form and decide which services you want for your child

**Step 2:** Return it to your child's teacher with your child's Medicaid number or a check

**Consent forms due by:** \_\_\_\_\_

For further information or questions, please call San Juan Basin Public Health at 970-335-2034 or talk to your school nurse.

Sincerely,

San Juan Basin Public Health School Dental Program

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