Dear Parent or Guardian,

Did you know 50% of all kindergarten children in the U.S. have already had a cavity? Are you aware that Michigan’s decay and sealant rates are among the worst in the US?

Ferris State University Dental Hygiene Program, in partnership with the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, is offering a FREE GRANT FUNDED program to help stop tooth decay in your child’s teeth. Sealants seal out food and germs from the grooves of teeth, where a toothbrush cannot reach. Prevention is the key to life-long oral health.

FAQ’s:

- We offer a dental screening, fluoride treatment, and sealants at no charge to you.

- Sealants are quick and painless and take only minutes to apply.

- We will not be offering cleanings, exams, or x-rays at your child’s school, but we would love to see your whole family at the FSU Dental Hygiene Clinic. Call 231-591-2260 for an appointment.

- If your child has dental insurance through the State, we will bill them to help cover our costs. If your child does not have insurance, or has private insurance, we will not bill you or them.

- We target newly erupted molars, so the program is offered to 1st, 2nd, 6th, and 7th grade students only.

- I carry a PA161 designation which means I can work outside of a dental office. Students place the sealants, but are under my direct supervision. I have been licensed for 18 years.

- This sealant program does not replace regular dental cleanings and exams by a dentist.

- If I notice any urgent needs I will contact you to assist you with finding a dental home for your child.

- If you would like to apply for Medicaid or Healthy Michigan Plan, Sarah Green at our local Health Department would be happy to assist you! 231-305-8644

- All students who bring back a consent form are eligible for prizes, even if you say “No Thanks.”

If your child, or anyone in your family is experiencing a dental emergency, please go directly to your family dentist, the nearest Emergency Room, or call 877-313-6232 to make an appointment with a local Michigan Community Dental Clinic (MCDC).

All forms must be returned to school by September 10th

Sincerely,
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