Students sent home on vaccine policy

County health officials look to state for more vaccine

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG  PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON - A new state requirement that mandates all students going into 7th and 12th grades this year have a certain level of meningococcal vaccination has about 30 families in the district scrambling for the vaccine.

According to Superintendent Erin Slater, about 25 to 30 students in the district were sent home this morning on arrival due to an Iowa law that prohibits them from being at school if their meningococcal vaccines are not documented.

"The students that are not in compliance in 7th and 12th grades for meningococcal shots are being picked up by parents and are excluded until they are in compliance," Slater said this morning. "Between 12 and 15 at each school were sent home."

Kaela Baker, a senior at FMHS, was one of the students sent home this morning by Assistant Principal Patrick Lamb.

"It was kind of weird," she said. "There were other seniors in the office, too, and I don't know if they were sent home, but he told me I had to leave the building because I didn't have the proper documentation."

Baker said she has tried different options in the past several weeks, but she has a food intolerance and can’t be injected with several of the vaccines available.

"We weren't aware until a couple of days ago. We went to get the vaccine yesterday and we couldn't get in so we had to wait until the next opening which is today at noon. So I'm hoping to get it today. But they said they had a limited supply and I have a reaction to one of the proteins, so if they don't have the special

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Fareway Grand Opening in six days

FORT MADISON-Fareway grocery store announced today the times for next week’s ribbon-cutting and grand opening.

The store will hold the event on Aug. 30 at the store’s location at the corner of 18th Street and Avenue H with a ribbon-cutting at 9:30 and the grand opening following at 10 a.m.

Fareway Senior Vice President of Retail Operations Jeff Borrill and Fareway Vice President/Secretary General Counsel Garrett Piklapp will speak, along with Fort Madison Mayor Brad Randolph and Fort Madison Chamber of Commerce President Angie Budnik and Fareway Vice President/General Counsel Garrett Piklapp.

A worker from Hoenig Lawn Services of Fort Madison cleans up the curbing at the Fareway Grocery on the corner of 18th Street and Avenue H Thursday afternoon. Landscaping is currently being done on the exterior while the final touches are being done inside the grocery in anticipation of Wednesday’s grand opening.

ISU’s Master Gardener program has openings

Program aimed at creating volunteer base

BY PCC STAFF

DONELLSON - The Iowa State University Extension and Outreach Master Gardener program will hold its core training sessions this fall for individuals interested in becoming Master Gardeners.

The Master Gardener program is looking for people who are passionate about volunteering and gardening. No previous garden knowledge is required.

The program equips volunteers to grow in knowledge about gardening best practices. After the training, Master Gardeners volunteer in their community, making significant contributions such as giving produce to food banks for food security and making Iowa’s fairgrounds and main streets beautiful.

Master Gardener training sessions will be held across the state on Tuesdays from 6:30-9:30 p.m., beginning in September and running through November. There will also be two training sessions (Sat., Oct. 7 and 21) held on campus at Iowa State. Training fees are $195.

Iowa State University Extension and Outreach Lee County will be offering courses at our Donnellson office.

Those interested in the course can apply at https://extension.iastate.edu/appli-
cation-form.php. Applications for the Master Gardener Program are due by Sept. 1.

For more information please call Whitney Weisnagel at 319-835-5116 or email her at weisnagel@iastate.edu or visit our website at www.extension.iastate.edu/lee/.
Students must meet criteria for LCHD vaccines

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one I need today, they won’t have it again for two weeks,” she said.

Baker’s mother, Nicole, said the Lee County Health Department had about 25 of the special type that her daughter can have so she sent her daughter over 30 minutes early to get in line and, hopefully, she will be back at school by 1 p.m. with proper documentation. If they don’t have the vaccine available she said they would have to try Burlington.

Nicole said the change came about quickly and the state was legislating out of fear.

“A year or two ago they had an outbreak and instead of doing some education about it, they just passed a law, and the first year it’s implemented there’s no grace period,” Nicole said.

“As a parent, I dropped the ball in listening to the alerts, but now the doctors are making us jump through a bunch of hoops, the health department didn’t receive enough communication, at least in respect to the school district knowing they had 80 kids or so without the vaccine, and didn’t notify the health department,” Nicole said.

Slater said multiple alerts were sent out to parents of the district’s PowerSchool alert system as well as the district’s website, many articles ran in local media, and information from the Lee County Health Department.

“We’re complying with the law and making sure the students are compliant and we’re working with parents to point them in the right directions,” Slater said.

“When we started doing some original checking to see what our compliance numbers were several weeks ago, we had a much higher number. I believe we had upwards of 70 to 80 students who needed vaccinations. I think our staff did an outstanding job addressing that and the final numbers we ended with today are significantly lower than two weeks ago.”

Slater said she thinks it’s combination of a complicated requirement, considering how it applies to each student, and an issue of families not reacting to the new requirements.

“I think it’s a combination of understanding what the law is saying and how it applies to each individual student. It can be complicated, unfortunately, we have to enforce it.”

LCHD director Julie Schilling said the health department only carries meningococcal vaccine for children and anyone coming to the immunization clinic must meet one of four criteria. If the student doesn’t meet one of the criteria, they must contact their health care provider.

The criteria are: 1. Must be enrolled in Iowa Medicaid; 2. Have no health insurance; 3. Be an American Indian or Alaskan native; or 4. Health insurance doesn’t provide coverage for vaccines.

“We have 35 doses and started our clinic at noon and it will run til 5:30. “We anticipate we will run out based on the number of calls we received. We’ve contacted the state about ordering more vaccines,” Schilling said this morning. She said clinic staff will evaluate people coming in to see if they qualify under the four criteria, if not, they will be asked to contact their private physicians.

The change requires a one-time dose of meningococcal (A, C, W, Y) vaccine received on or after 10 years of age for applicants in grades 7 and above, if born after September 15, 2004; and 2 doses of meningococcal (A, C, W, Y) vaccines for applicants in grade 12, if born after September 15, 1999; or 1 dose if received when applicants are 16 years of age or older.
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But you still don’t need to panic about a little spot on the driveway. Besides, you check your oil regularly, don’t you? Most cars with 100,000 miles or more will burn a little oil between oil changes, again not a reason to panic if it’s a hair low from time to time. Add engine oil as needed between changes and you’ll be fine.

Back to that oil leak you discovered. There are a few places the oil leak could be coming from. The trick is figuring out the source of the leak and how fast it’s coming out. The most reliable way to ring the source of your oil leak is to clean the engine -- I mean really clean it. With a clean engine, you’ll be able to see the oil start to ooze before it’s all over the place. This is especially important if you’ve been adding oil regularly between oil changes because you may have a sizable leak to deal with. If you can’t clean the engine first, you’ll need to look for the area where the oil is freshest.

When the oil escapes the engine, it’s very fluid. As it drips and runs around it picks up gunk, gets thick and lumpy, and is generally nastier. Whether you’re dealing with a clean or dirty engine, start your oil leak inspection at the very top of the engine. There are a few things at the very top that can be the source of an oil leak.

The valve cover gasket is the most likely culprit if your leak is high on the engine. But there is also a PCV valve on many cars that has a pipe connected to the crankcase. If this becomes worn or loose at any point it can cause a leak. As your inspection moves down the engine, you’ll get to a spot about halfway down that can be the source of an oil leak. - the head gasket.

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Black Crappie - Slow: Crappies continue to stay out in deeper water; the water temperature is going cooler, so it shouldn’t be too long before they come in shallow. Largemouth Bass - Fair: Go shallow in the early morning and late evening; as the day gets warmer flow them out to deeper water. Bluegill - Slow.

**Lake Belva Deer**
Cool nights have brought the water temperature back down to mid 70’s. The water is a little murky. Largemouth Bass - Fair: Fish the late evening and early morning in the densest cover you can find; be prepared to lose some lures. Bluegill - Slow: Bluegill fishing slowed back down this week. Channel Catfish - Fair: Catfishing has been decent around the rocks along the jetties and on the mounds at the upper end of the lake.

**Lake Darling**
Water temperatures are back down to 75 degrees. The water is a little brown but not too bad, with a thin film of planktonic algae on the surface. Largemouth Bass - Fair: Use soft plastics on the shallow edge of the drop-offs. Black Crappie - Slow: Look for crappies around the drop offs. Bluegill - Slow.

**Lake Geode**
The planktonic algae is still making the water green. Water temperatures are cooling off with the cool night. Bluegill - Slow: Not many boats out on the lake. Work the edges of the water willow beds along the north side near the drop offs.

**Lost Grove Lake**
Largemouth Bass - Fair: Catch decent numbers of bass in shallower water during the early morning and late evening. They are deeper the rest of the day. Channel Catfish - Fair: Work the face of the dam and along the old creek channel below the causeway. Black Crappie - Slow: Look around the flooded timber in 8 to 10-foot of water.

**Mississippi River Pool 19**
Tailwater stage is 3.63 feet at Lock and Dam 18 and has risen slightly the past few days. Flood stage at Lock and Dam 18 is 10 feet. We have not received any fishing reports for this pool this week. Channel Catfish - No Report: Try night-crawlers or stink baits in snags and brush piles along the main channel and side channels. White crawlers or stink baits around brush piles in the Burlington Island, Keokuk. Try fishing pieces of worm under a bobber around brush piles in the Burlington Island complex and Carthage Lake areas. Bluegill - No Report: Look for bluegills in the backwaters and sloughs or in the weed beds around Montrose and Keokuk. Try fishing pieces of worm under a bobber around brush piles in the Burlington Island complex and Carthage Lake.

River stages have been rising slightly the past few days. Water clarity is fair. Main channel water temperature is around 74 degrees. If you have questions on fishing Pools 16-19, contact the Fairport Fish Hatchery at 563-263-5062.

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**5-DAY WEATHER FORECAST**

**FRI 25 Aug**
- Scattered Clouds
- High: 74.9º F | Low: 66.3º F

**SAT 26 Aug**
- Partly Sunny
- High: 78.7º F | Low: 69.0º F

**SUN 27 Aug**
- Heavy Intensity Rain
- High: 73.4º F | Low: 59.6º F

**MON 28 Aug**
- Clear Skies
- High: 73.4º F | Low: 57.1º F

**TUE 29 Aug**
- Clear Skies
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Greenwald, Wright, Rink, at City Hall, 811 Avenue E. Session at 5:30 P.M. on Council met in adjourned

On motion, Council

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