## REYNOLDS SCHOOL DISTRICT



531 REYNOLDS ROAD, GREENVILLE PA 16125, MERCER COUNTY

TO: Parents

Grades K-6

FROM: School Health Department

RE: Fluoride Treatment Program for Prevention of Tooth Decay

The Reynolds School District provides a fluoride treatment program for student in Grades K-6. Taking fluoride each day, along with good brushing, is an effective method for prevention of tooth decay. Fluoride tablets are recommended for children up through 12 years of age, the years during which the permanent teeth are forming. Until a child is old enough to take a tablet, fluoride drops are used. For maximum effectiveness, the drops or tables must be consumed daily. The tablets are first chewed and resultant solution is swished in the mouth before it is swallowed. This procedure benefits the teeth already present in the mouth (topical benefits), as well as the teeth that are still developing in the jaws (systemic benefits).

Each child with signed parental permission will receive one fluoride tablet a day while attending school. In order for your child to receive the tablets when school is not in session (weekends, holidays and during the summer), we suggest you contact your family dentist or physician for a prescription.

Thank you.

NOTE: If your child is taking vitamins with sodium fluoride, or plain fluoride tablets, he/she should not receive the fluoride tablets at school.

## PERMISSION SLIP—ATTACHED