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McHenry County Children's Health & Safety Fair is Coming!

The annual McHenry County Children's Health & Safety Fair is almost here! Now in its 20th year, it is bigger and better than ever! The fair will be held from 9 am to 4 pm on Wednesday, August 4, at McHenry County College, 8900 US Hwy 14, in Crystal Lake. Admission to the fair is **FREE**.

This year's theme is "Makin' a Splash!" With over 40 exhibits, games and prizes, the fire department's 'smoke house', and visits from animal characters, the fair delivers on its promise to entertain and educate. Think of it as a "trade show for kids!" Children will receive a free school supply box when they turn in their stamped cards after visiting exhibitor's booths. They will also be entered into a raffle to win one of two free bicycles and helmets!

Reduced cost immunizations and dental exams will be provided for resident school age children on a first come-first served basis. Medicaid will be accepted. Parents **MUST** bring their child's updated immunization record in order to receive required immunizations. A limited number of reduced cost school physicals will also be available – by appointment only – for children of low income families without insurance. Make your appointment now by calling the Family Health Partnership Clinic (815-334-8987).

The fair is sponsored by the McHenry County Children's Health & Safety Fair Coalition. They are a dedicated group of professionals, representing: Community Action Agency/Head Start, Centegra Health System, CL Graphics, Family Health Partnership Clinic, Family Service & Community Mental Health Center for McHenry County, League of Women Voters of Illinois Education Fund, McHenry County College, McHenry County Department of Health, McHenry County Mental Health Board, McHenry County Sheriff's Office, Mercy Health System, United Way of Greater McHenry County Volunteer Center, STAR 105.5, and Youth Service Bureau.

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