To the Parents of All Incoming Kindergarten and Incoming Freshman:

lowa law requires that any child who is **entering** kindergarten or ninth grade must provide the school with proof of a dental check-up. The purpose of this law is to improve the oral health of lowa's children.

The Certificate of Dental Screening form is attached. For elementary school, this form can be completed by a dentist, dental hygienist, physician, physician assistant, or nurse. **For freshmen, the form must be completed by a dentist or dental hygienist only.**

Please turn this form in to the school nurse **before** the start of your child's kindergarten or freshman year. The form needs to be filled out **one year prior** to the start of kindergarten or freshman year. If your child has recently been to the dentist, please call your dentist and ask them to complete the dental form. You can return them to me any time **before** the start of the 2011-2012 school year or the dentist can fax the form to the school at 563-785-6558.

If you have questions or need help getting a dental check-up for your child, please contact me and I will be happy to help you.

Thank you,

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