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## **Great News! Our In-School Dental Care Program is Back at P.S. 159!**

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are pleased to announce the return of in-school dental care for students at P.S. 159 in partnership with Smile New York Outreach. This program provides a convenient and accessible opportunity for students to receive essential dental services.

Program Dates:

- Monday, October 26th
- Tuesday, October 27th
- Wednesday, October 28th

This program is ideal for students who:

- Do not receive regular dental care
- Face challenges accessing dental services outside of school

Benefits of Participation:

- Comprehensive dental exam, including X-rays
- Cleaning, fluoride treatment, and sealants (if necessary)
- Restorative care (fillings) in some cases
- Reduced risk of early tooth loss, gum disease, and other health complications

Eligibility and Participation:

- Students who participated last year are automatically enrolled unless you request otherwise.
- For new participants or those who need to re-enroll, please complete the attached permission form and return it to the school immediately.
- A note to Kim Johnson, Parent Coordinator, is required if you wish to remove your child's name from the program (previously enrolled students)
- Financial Information:
- Medicaid and private insurance information is requested on the permission form. These plans typically cover all costs associated with the program.
- Smile New York Outreach provides free services to students without dental insurance.

Promoting Student Health:

Regular dental care plays a crucial role in maintaining overall health and well-being. By participating in this program, you can help ensure your child has a healthy smile, avoids potential health complications, and feels confident and comfortable. We encourage you to return the completed permission form to the school as soon as possible.

For any questions, please contact Kim Johnson, Parent Coordinator, at 718-423-8553, ext. 2, or via email at [kjohnson3@schools.nyc.gov](mailto:kjohnson3@schools.nyc.gov).