

**Mission:**

To protect, promote & improve the health of all people in Florida through integrated state, county & community efforts.



**Rick Scott**  
Governor

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State Surgeon General & Secretary

**Vision:** To be the **Healthiest State** in the Nation

**Please return entire folder with this cover sheet completed. Spanish and Creole forms included. Make copies as needed.**

<b>Teacher:</b>	<b>Number of students:</b>	<b>Lunch Time:</b>
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Inside This Folder:

1. **Parent Permission Forms** with Pizza Party information
2. Teacher's information booklet called "**Seal Out**" **Tooth Decay**

Dear 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Teacher,

Thank you for participating in the Dental Sealant Program. In order for the program to run smoothly and make it an enjoyable experience for you and the students, please:

1. Complete the top of this Sheet.
2. Distribute **Parent Permission Forms** to your students. Explain to them that they will get a **pizza party** if everyone returns the forms signed by their parents. Distribute **pencils** as an immediate reward for returning the forms.
3. **Return signed and completed Parent Permission Forms with this folder.**
4. Read "**Seal Out**" **Tooth Decay**. It will give you and your students background information about tooth decay and the role dental sealants play in preventing decay.

The dental sealant team will come into the classroom to do a **15 minute presentation** and show a **2 minute dental sealant DVD** the day before beginning sealants at your school.

The sealant process takes 3-5 days, depending on the number of 2<sup>nd</sup> graders participating in the program. The exam and sealant application takes approximately 15 minutes per student. Students with decay, sealed teeth, or teeth not yet erupted, will not receive sealants.

After all eligible students have been seen and sealed, they will each receive a letter to be sent home to the parents stating which teeth have been sealed and the condition of their teeth. The school nurse will be made aware of any students that have "emergency dental needs."

Thank You,  
Patty Caroscio, RDH