

City of Dallas News Release

Public Information Office

www.dallascityhall.com



City of Dallas

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Friday, July 13, 2007

Mayor's "Back-to-School" Fair organizations to promote this year's theme "Healthy Bodies. Healthy Minds."

Dallas – Over 60 organizations will be providing a variety of services to students and their families when they attend the 2007 Mayor's "Back-to-School" Fair on Thursday, August 2, 2007 in the Centennial Hall and Automobile buildings at Fair Park from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Title sponsor Wal-Mart and Sam's Club designated "Healthy Bodies. Healthy Minds." as the main theme for this year's fair. Platinum sponsors WaMu and metroPCS join the Mayor's "Back-to-School" Fair for the third and second consecutive years respectively.

Students and their families will not only receive free school supplies but also will have the opportunity to visit health and social service providers and receive free health screenings.

Service providers will focus on this year's theme "Healthy Bodies. Healthy Minds." offering health, social and education services for the students and their parents. The goal is to detect any potential health problems that may impede the student's ability to perform well in school.

There will be health service providers offering vision screenings, dental screenings, immunization services, blood pressure screenings, information on CHIP and Medicaid applications, sickle cell screenings, obesity, asthma and sports physicals.

Other social providers will provide information on drug and gang prevention, dropout prevention, school retention, establishing and maintaining PTA units and scholarships.

City of Dallas departments will provide information on recycling, storm water, grandparents raising grandchildren, fire prevention, aviation, Trinity River Project, mosquito information, air pollution and other information on city program and services. The Dallas Police Department will provide fingerprinting kits for Safe-Kids program.

For more information on registering to receive free school supplies or to volunteer at the 2007 Mayor's "Back-to-School" Fair visit www.dallascityhall.com or call 2-1-1.

###