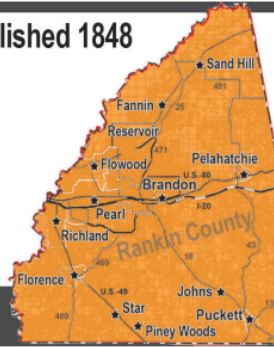


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Flowood Back to School Health Fair set

By Charles Bailey

FLOWOOD- The city will host its annual Back to School Health Fair the first Saturday in August.

The event will be held August 6 from 9 a.m. until noon at the Flowood YMCA, located on Liberty Road.

Admission is free.

"We should have anywhere

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from 25 to 30 vendors offering free health screenings," said Susan Bolian, coordinator of the event. "We're lining the vendors up now, so we still have plenty of spaces open."

The screenings will include dental, hearing, and vision, as well as information

on nutrition, exercise, the proper way to carry a book bag, and more.

"We'll also have Space Jumps and inflatables, an obstacle course, and a photo booth indoors," Bolian said.

The first 50 participants who visit each vendor booth will receive a backpack load-

ed with school supplies.

"This is a city-sponsored event that is designed to get kids off to a healthy school year," Bolian said. "If there is an issue with something such as hearing or vision, parents will want to know that and address it right away. It's really an event for children and

parents."

Bolian said that the Health Fair drew approximately 75 participants last year.

To register for a vendor booth space, call Bolian at 601-992-4440, or email sbolian@cityofflowood.com.