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FREE VACCINATION CLINIC Parvo is on the increase in Jefferson Parish

The Jefferson Parish Animal Shelter is offering free distemper/parvo vaccines for dogs and puppies and rhinotracheitis/calici/panleukopenia vaccines for cats and kittens. Vaccines help protect your pets from serious and contagious diseases.

The free clinic will be held, Saturday, February 12, 2011, from 9 am to 3 pm at the Belle Terre Playground, 5600 Belle Terre Road, Marrero, LA, 70072.

Symptoms of dog distemper include vomiting, runny nose, diarrhea, dehydration, excessive salivation and coughing or labored breathing. Parvo symptoms include lethargy, vomiting, fever and bloody diarrhea. Symptoms of feline distemper are sneezing, fever, conjunctivitis, rhinitis and salivation.

All dogs and puppies must be on a leash or in a crate and all cats and kittens must be in a crate. Puppies and kittens must be at least 6 weeks of age to be vaccinated. Young animals must have a series of vaccinations in order to develop proper immunity. You will need to see a veterinarian for future vaccines.

Sick or aggressive animals may be turned away. All animals must be under the control of a competent adult. Vaccines are first-come, first-served, supplies are limited.

For more information, please contact Tessa Corthell, Director of Jefferson Parish Animal Shelter at 349-5111 or 736-6111.

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