

WHEN TO KEEP A CHILD AT HOME



It is parents' responsibility to make sure that their child comes to school healthy and well. We ask that you please use your good judgment and make sure that your child stays at home and does not attend school if he is unwell. Here is a list of common childhood illnesses. Thank you for your cooperation.

FEVER A temperature higher than the normal body temperature of 98.6.

FLU The symptoms are regular flu like: runny nose, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, sore throat.

CONJUNCTIVITIS Is an eye infection commonly referred to as pink eye. The eye is generally red with some burning and/or itching and there is a yellow secretion.

BRONCHITIS It begins with voice hoarseness, cough and slight elevation in body temperature. The cough may be dry and painful and gradually becomes productive.

SKIN RASHES Any rashes that have not been identified or diagnosed by a physician.
Child will be admitted back to school only with a release from a medical doctor.

IMPETIGO Is a skin disease that shows up as red pimples. These become small blisters surrounded by a reddened area. When the blisters break, the surface is raw and weeping. The lesions most commonly occur in moist areas of the body such as the creases of the neck or groin, under the arms, elbows and knee joints and on the face. This is a very contagious condition. ***Child will be admitted back to school only with a release from a medical doctor.***

DIARRHEA Watery or greenish bowel movement that occurs more frequently than usual. It could be infectious. If a child is sent home from school due to diarrhea, the child may not attend school the following day.

VOMITING This may be a sign of an upset stomach, or of something more serious.

STREP THROAT This is a condition of a very inflamed throat. Swallowing becomes difficult and a cough may persist.
It is contagious and child will be admitted back to school only with a release from a medical doctor.

CONTAGIOUS DISEASES German/red measles, chicken pox, mumps, roseola, fifth's disease. Child must be kept at home until released by a medical doctor to return to school.
Child will be admitted back to school only with a written release from a medical doctor.

ANTIBIOTICS If a child is prescribed an antibiotic medication, child should not attend school until he/she has taken the medication for at least on 24 hour period.

SEVERE COLD WITH FEVER, SNEEZING, NOSE DRAINAGE OR PERSISTANT COUGH
It is recommended that children stay at home if experiencing any of the above symptoms.

MEDICATIONS AT SCHOOL

- If your child needs to take medication at school, a **Medication Form** must be completed by parents and given to the child's teacher together with the medication.
- Please inform the teacher if the medication needs to be refrigerated.
- Please do **NOT** send any medications to school in your child's lunch box or back pack.
- If your child needs an Inhaler/Nebulizer/Epipen, we suggest that one be kept at school. Please fill out the form that accompanies the inhaler.