



In order to provide a healthy school environment for all children and staff, the following guidelines have been prepared to assist you in decisions relating to your child's health and school attendance. If your child is not feeling well and you are uncertain about sending him/her to school on any given day, it is best to keep your child home and observe him/her for worsening symptoms. If a child is too ill to attend school in the morning, it is recommended that he/she stay home all day.

When you make the decision to keep your child home, please notify the **school secretary or attendance line** that your child will be absent and state the nature of your child's illness.

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| Colds | Student needs to remain home if he/she has an excessive runny nose, excessive coughing, temperature at or above 100°F, or is too uncomfortable to function at school. |
| Chicken Pox | Student may return to school after all blisters are dried and crusted over. Notify school nurse if your child has chickenpox. |
| Diarrhea | If a student has diarrhea 2 times in a day, he/she needs to remain at home until diarrhea subsides and <i>no other signs of illness exist.</i> |
| Ear Infections | Student needs to be evaluated by a physician if he/she complains of ear pain. Early treatment can ward off possible permanent damage to the ear which could result in hearing loss. |
| Eye Infections | Redness, drainage, or watering of the eyes requires assessment to determine the cause of the conjunctivitis (pink eye) or possible eye injury. Eyes need to be clear, or student needs to be treated with prescription medication for at least 24 hours before returning to school. |
| Fractures and Surgeries | Parents need to contact the nurse when a child has a serious injury or surgery. Modifications to physical activity and mode of travel throughout the school campus need to be evaluated. Please provide written information from your physician as to your child's level of activity at school. State limitations and special needs. |
| School Injuries | The nurse will assess the injury, administer first aid, and notify parents as soon as possible by phone and/or note as to the type and status of injury. |
| Head Lice | Student needs to stay home from school and be treated with shampoo or rinse as recommended by your doctor or pharmacy. Children may return to school when the hair is nit free . Notify the school nurse if your child has head lice. |
| Rashes | Student is to remain at home with any undiagnosed skin rash and may return when the rash has cleared, or with a doctor's note stating diagnosis and clearing him/her to return to school. |
| Strep Throat | Student needs to be treated with antibiotics for 48 hours before returning to school if there is a positive throat culture. |
| Fever | The student needs to be fever-free (less than 100°F) for at least 24 hours . |
| Vomiting | Student is to remain at home if he/she has vomited within the past 24 hours . Should a student experience vomiting during school hours, the student will be sent home. The student needs to remain home for at least 24 hours after vomiting subsides. |