



## HEALTH SERVICES Health Guidelines For School Attendance

In order to provide as healthy a school environment as possible 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 on any given school 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.

<b>Colds</b>	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.
<b>Chicken Pox</b>	Student may return to school when all blisters are dried and crusted over. Notify school nurse if our child has chickenpox.
<b>Diarrhea</b>	If a student has diarrhea 2 times in a day, he/she needs to remain at home until diarrhea subsides and no other signs of illness exist.
<b>Ear Infections</b>	Student does not need to stay home from school, but should be evaluated by his/her physician if he/she complains of ear pain.
<b>Eye Infections</b>	Student cannot attend school if purulent eye drainage present. May return if eyes clear, treatment started, or cleared by MD. No exclusion for non-purulent drainage unless there is an outbreak.
<b>Fever</b>	If the fever is over 100.00, the student should remain home. He/she may return to school when fever free, without medication, for 24 hours.
<b>Fractures and Surgeries</b>	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 building 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.
<b>School Injuries</b>	The nurse or trained staff member 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.
<b>Head Lice</b>	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 <i>lice-free</i> and show proof of treatment. Notify the school if your child has head lice.
<b>Rashes</b>	Student is to remain at home with any undiagnosed skin rash. Student may return to school when the rash disappears or with a doctor's note stating diagnosis and clearing him/her to return to school.
<b>Strep Throat</b>	Student needs to be treated with antibiotics for 24 hours and be without fever before returning to school.
<b>Vomiting</b>	The student needs to be free from vomiting for at least 24 hours before coming to school. A student may vomit x1 and remain in school if there are no other symptoms of illness present.