



“Bee” Informed... Guidelines for Illness*

For the safety and well-being of our staff and students, a child with a contagious medical issue cannot remain at school. Students who have fever, throw up, or have diarrhea at school may not return until they are symptom free (without medication) for 24 hours.

Diarrhea - Student will be sent home; must be free from diarrhea for 24 hours *without the use of medication* before returning to school.

Earache - Temperature will be taken. Student will be sent home if indicated.

Eyes - Pink eye is very contagious. A parent will be notified that the student must be picked up from school.

Symptoms: Redness of one or both eyes with or without drainage; Eyes are “matted” with discharge; Swollen eyelids; Pain or itching; Sensitivity to light. (Incubation period is 24-72 hours from exposure.)

Student may return to school with a “may return to school” note from your health care provider.

Fever - If temperature is 100.6 degrees or above, the student must be sent home. If the student has a temperature of 105 degrees or higher, EMS (911) will be called if a parent cannot be contacted immediately. Must be fever-free for 24 hours *without use of medication* before returning to school.



Sore throat - If temperature is 100.6 degrees or above, or throat appears to be infected, student will be sent home.

Strep Throat Symptoms: Fever (greater than 101 degrees) and sore throat usually beginning 2-4 days after contact. Throat red, swollen (and possibly pus present). Tender lymph nodes in the neck. Difficulty in swallowing, loss of appetite. Drowsiness. Nausea and vomiting.

Undiagnosed rash - A student will be sent home if they have the following symptoms: Widespread rash covering more than 1/2 of the body; Rash accompanied by fever; Rash with weeping/oozing drainage and/or crusting (suspected impetigo); Suspected chickenpox; *Any of these conditions may indicate a contagious rash that should be evaluated by a physician.*

Student may return to school with a “may return to school” note from your health care provider regarding his/her rash.

Note: Students exhibiting a localized rash and who have a known diagnosis of eczema may be allowed to stay in school unless there appears to be secondary bacterial infection.

Vomiting - Student will be sent home; must be free from vomiting for 24 hours *without the use of medication* before returning to school.