

Illness Policy for School and the Extended Day Program

For the protection of all school children and staff, children should be kept home or will be sent home in the following situations:

1. Fever of 100 or greater or one degree above the child's documented normal temperature.
2. Vomiting
3. Diarrhea
4. Presence or suspicion of chicken pox, impetigo, mumps, whooping cough, bacterial conjunctivitis, scarlet fever, measles, lice or scabies
5. Signs of possible severe illness such as uncontrolled coughing, difficulty breathing, wheezing, persistent crying, or lethargy.
6. Any sort of rash, especially when accompanied by a fever or behavior change.

If your child develops any of these symptoms during the school hours you will be notified to pick he/she up immediately. **If you are unable to pick up your child within 30 minutes you must arrange for someone else to do so.**

The same policies and procedures will be applicable for children in the **Extended Day Program**. Students in the Extended Day Program will routinely practice good respiratory and hand washing procedures. For the protection of all involved, if a child develops any of the above symptoms, a fever or signs of a flu-like illness, he/she will be isolated (to the best of our ability) from the other students. If staffing allows, that child will be moved into a separate room, with proper supervision, until he/she is picked up from school. If this is not possible, a mask will be provided for the child to wear. All other children in the room will wash their hands thoroughly and practice good respiratory etiquette. It is up to the discretion of the Extended Day Program Staff to determine when it is necessary for a child to be sent home.

Returning to school:

Children who are ill are to be kept at home until they have been without fever, vomiting and/or diarrhea for 24 hours.

Children who are being treated with antibiotics must complete a full 24 hours of treatment before they will be allowed to return to school. This means that if we send your child home at 11:00 a.m., but he/she did not get their first dose of antibiotics until 3:00 p.m., they cannot come back to school the next morning.