

Policy on the Management of Communicable Diseases

If a child exhibits any of the following symptoms, he/she should not attend school. If such symptoms occur at school, the child will be removed from the classroom, and you will be called to take him/her home.

- Severe pain or discomfort
- Cold symptoms including nasal discharge
- Acute diarrhea – symptom-free for 24 hours
- Vomiting – symptom-free for 24 hours
- Temperature of 100° or more – symptom-free for 24 hours
- Lethargy
- Severe coughing
- Sore throat
- Yellow eyes or jaundice skin
- Red eyes with discharge
- Infected, untreated skin patches
- Difficult or rapid breathing
- Skin rashes/lesions
- Swollen joints
- Mouth sores
- Visibly enlarged lymph nodes
- Stiff neck
- Blood in urine

Once the child is symptom-free, or has a health care provider's note stating that the child no longer poses a health risk to themselves or others, the child may return to school.

If a child contracts any of the following diseases, please report it to us immediately.

Respiratory Illnesses

- Diphtheria*
- German Measles (Rubella)*
- Hemophilus Influenza*
- Measles*
- Meningococcus*
- RSV – Respiratory Syncytial Virus*
- Strep Throat
- Tuberculosis*
- Whooping Cough (Pertussis)*

Gastrointestinal Illnesses

- Escherichia Coli*
- Giardia Lamblia*
- Salmonella*
- Shigella*
- Shingles

Contact Illnesses

- Impetigo
- Lice
- Pink Eye* (Conjunctivitis) must be on medication for 24 hours before returning
- Scabies

***Reportable Disease**

The child may not return to school until he/she is symptom free or has a physician's note stating that he/she no longer poses a health risk to themselves or others.

If the child has a reportable disease, the child may not return to school without a doctor's note stating that the child presents no risk to himself/herself or others. If your child is exposed to any reportable disease at school, you will be notified in writing.

Immunizations: State Health Department Regulations Require Immunization Against 11 Communicable Diseases:

- Diphtheria
- Haemophilus B (HIB)
- Influenza
- Measles
- Mumps
- Pertussis
- Pneumococcal Conjugant
- Polio
- Rubella
- Tetanus
- Varicella

All mumps and rubella antigens must have been received after the first birthday.

All health forms must be on file in our Nursery School (including a signed statement by your physician stating that your child has been examined by him/her within the last six months for 2 ½ year olds, last twelve months for 3 and 4 year olds) BEFORE your child may attend class.

If a child has a religious exemption from immunizations, a form must be signed by the parent.