



# Infectious Disease Control Policy

Guidelines for determining when your child may return to school.

With your help, we can help to decrease the spread of infectious disease in the community. The policies, which we implement at school, are recommendations gathered from the Department of Public Health, and the Manual of School Health. They are written in consultation with our school pediatrician.

The following guidelines are intended to give parents some understanding of when their child may be ready to return to school after illness:

1. Temperature normal for 24 hours.
2. No vomiting or diarrhea for 24 hours.
3. Isolation periods of common communicable diseases:
  - Chicken Pox--may return provided all lesions are scabbed and dry.
  - Strep Infections--a child who is awaiting laboratory results for a strep infection should not return to school until a negative culture is confirmed or 24 hours of antibiotic therapy has been instituted.
  - Bronchitis or Sinusitis--24 hours of antibiotic therapy before returning.
  - Conjunctivitis--(bacterial) 24 hours after antibiotic treatment has been instituted.