



Davis School District

Should I Send My Student to School?

The following guidelines should also be used in determining if your child should stay home from school:

1. The illness prevents your student from participating comfortably in activities
2. The illness results in a greater need for care than the staff can provide
3. The student has any of the following conditions, unless a health professional determines the student's condition does not require staying home from school
 - **Appears to be severely ill**
 - **Fever** - temperature of 100.4 F or above until temperature is normal for 24 hours without fever reducing medication
 - **Marked drowsiness or malaise** (a vague feeling of physical discomfort or uneasiness) as seen early in an illness. Student just doesn't "feel well"
 - **Muscle Pain**
 - **Difficulty Breathing**
 - **Headache**
 - **Loss of sense of taste or smell**
 - **Diarrhea** - defined as an unusual number of stools or unusually liquid stools compared to the student's normal pattern
 - **Blood in stools** - not explained by dietary change, medication, or constipation
 - **Vomiting / nausea** - more than 2X in 24 hours,
 - **Severe abdominal pain**
 - **Less severe abdominal pain** - that continues for more than 2 hours
 - **Mouth sores** with drooling
 - **Rash with fever**
 - **Sore Throat** - If white spots can be seen in the back of the throat or if fever is present, keep the student home
 - **New and persistent cough** (not related to asthma or allergies)– a student with a "heavy" cold and hacking cough should be at home even if there is no fever
 - **Any break in the skin in the weeping /oozing stage** – unless protected (covered) and/or diagnosed as noninfectious
 - **Impetigo** - until 24 hours after treatment has started
 - **Streptococcal infection** - (strep throat or other streptococcal infection), until 12 hours after treatment has been started
 - **Head lice** - until after the first treatment (Refer to DSD Head Lice Protocol)
 - **Scabies** - until after treatment has been given
 - **Any Communicable Disease** – may return to school as per direction from the health department
 - **Any condition determined by the local health department** to be contributing to the transmission of illness during an outbreak

Please be mindful of these symptoms and keep sick students home to make the school and classroom a healthy and safe place. Thank you!

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