

PJA Day School Sick Policy 2021-22

In general, students who are too ill to participate fully in their school day, including PE and recess times (excluding injuries such as sprains or broken bones) should be kept home from school.

Students who have any of the following conditions are prohibited from attending school:

Primary symptoms of COVID-19: fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea.

Primary symptoms of the Delta variant of COVID-19 are similar to a cold: runny nose, congestion, cough and sometimes fever. Often older children will present with headache and sore throat.

If your child presents with any of the primary symptoms of COVID-19 or the Delta variant, you must keep them home from school until they are symptom free and/or have had a negative COVID test.

Students who have any of the following conditions, even if they have tested negative for COVID-19, are prohibited from attending school:

Fever within the previous 24 hours

Vomiting within the previous 24 hours.

Other respiratory illnesses such as RSV (respiratory syncytial virus), strep throat, flu, or serious colds in the contagious phase.

Lice, nits, or transmittable skin parasites

If your child will miss school due to illness, please notify the PJA office by 8:30 AM. In case of extended absence (more than two days), please contact your child's teachers or Middle School Advisor to discuss arrangements for make-up work.

If a child becomes ill during the school day, the child will be removed from the classroom and school staff will contact a family member. Should a family member not be reachable or unable to arrive at school within one hour, staff will contact the emergency contact listed on the student's health information form.

If your child becomes ill while at school, we may provide them with a self-administered COVID-19 rapid test if we have a current waiver form on file. Please fill out [this form](#) and return it to PJA. You may scan it and email it as an attachment to rboyd@pjaproud.org or mail a printed hard copy to PJA Office, 6651 SW Capitol Highway, Portland, OR 97219.

Medication

If a child needs to receive medication during the school day, parents/guardians must submit a Medication Administration Form. All medicine must be in the original bottle with the original label and directions and must be prescribed for that child. Please inform the office staff whenever your child is on medication that may affect alertness and participation. If your child has a chronic condition which requires monitoring and medication while at school, please contact the office to discuss your child's condition and needs.