

# Trousdale County Schools

*Accelerating & Graduating All Students for the Careers of Tomorrow*

Dear Parent/Guardian:

This letter is intended to serve as an information guideline in preventing the spread of infection and communicable diseases in our schools. Please keep it in a place where it can be used as a reference throughout the year.

All students should be kept at home and be symptom free for at least 24 hours before returning to school if they have the following symptoms:

- Temperature of 100 degrees or more
- Yellow drainage from eyes and/or matting of eyes, which could indicate pink eye
- Vomiting and/or diarrhea
- Sore throat, stomachache, and headache accompanied by swollen glands around the jaws, ears, and neck.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** If your student is sent home from school with a temperature of 100° or more (fever), he/she must be fever-free for 24 hours *without* medication (Tylenol, Motrin, etc.) before being allowed to return to school.

**Example:** If a student is sent home on Monday at 9:00 a.m. with a fever, the earliest he/she could return to school is Wednesday. When your child returns to school, his/her temperature will be checked twice – first thing in the morning and at lunch time – to make sure there is no fever. Any student with a fever upon re-check will be sent home again until fever-free *without* medication for 24 hours.

Special conditions apply to the following:

- **Chicken Pox** – all eruptions must be scabbed over before returning to school
- **Skin conditions such as Scabies and impetigo** – must have verification from a physician that they are no longer contagious before returning to school
- **Students with Head Lice** – must have been properly treated and must be brought to school by a parent/guardian to be checked by school personnel before returning to school. Our policy is that the student must be lice and nit free to return

**Medications Given at School:** The proper medication forms **must** be filled out by both your doctor and you should medication be needed during school hours. These forms can be obtained from the office or clinic. The forms can be faxed to your doctor if needed.

**MEDICATIONS ARE NEVER ALLOWED ON THE SCHOOL BUS!**

If you have any questions, please call us at your child's school.

Thank you for your cooperation,  
Trousdale County School Nurses



*Nurses, helping kids stay healthy in school*

