






QUICK GUIDE: WHEN TO KEEP YOUR STUDENT AT HOME

SYMPTOMS OF ILLNESS	THE STUDENT MAY RETURN AFTER... *The list below tells the shortest time to stay home. A student may need to stay home longer for some illnesses.
 Fever: temperature of 100.4°F (38°C) or greater	*Fever-free for 24 hours without taking fever-reducing medicine AND per guidance for primary COVID-19 symptoms.
 New cough illness OR New difficulty breathing	* Symptoms improving for 24 hours (no cough or cough is well-controlled) AND per guidance for primary COVID-19 symptoms. If diagnosed with pertussis (whooping cough), the student must take 5 days of prescribed antibiotics before returning.
 Headache with stiff neck or with fever	*Symptom-free OR with orders from doctor to school nurse. Follow fever instructions if fever is present.
 Diarrhea: 3 loose or watery stools in a day OR not able to control bowel movements	*Symptom-free for 48 hours OR with orders from doctor to school nurse.
 Vomiting: one or more episode that is unexplained	*Symptom-free for 48 hours OR with orders from doctor to school nurse.
Skin rash or open sores	*Symptom free , which means rash is gone OR sores are dry or can be completely covered by a bandage OR with orders from doctor to school nurse.
Red eyes with eye discharge: yellow or brown drainage from the eyes	*Symptom-free , which means redness and discharge are gone OR with orders from doctor to school nurse.
Jaundice: new yellow color in eyes or skin	*After the school has orders from doctor or local public health authority to school nurse.
Acting differently without a reason: unusually sleepy, grumpy, or confused.	*Symptom-free , which means return to normal behavior OR with orders from doctor to school nurse.
Major health event , like an illness lasting 2 or more weeks OR a hospital stay, OR health condition requires more care than school staff can safely provide.	*After the school has orders from doctor to school nurse AND after measures are in place for the student's safety. Please work with school staff to address special health-care needs so the student may attend safely.