

Fifth's Disease

Definition: A mild illness with bright pink blotchy rash appearing on the face, A “slapped-cheek” appearance, and a paleness of the skin surrounding the mouth. The body may also develop a lacy rash which comes and goes. Some children may have mild cold symptoms including runny nose, sore throat, mild fever and cough. Transmission is by direct or indirect contact with the secretions of the respiratory tract of infected persons.

Incubation Period: 1-2 weeks

Exclusion: The contagious period is undetermined. The student should stay home if symptoms such as coughing, sore throat and fever are present. The student can return to school when symptoms are gone.



Please note: This is an example of the condition and how it may look, however it could appear differently. We encourage you to seek medical advice if you believe you have this disease.