

## **Pinkeye (Conjunctivitis)**

**Definition:** Tears, pain, redness of eye(s) with a yellow discharge; eyelashes stuck together on awakening. May be followed by sensitivity to light and have a swelling around the eye. This can be a bacterial infection that requires a prescription, or it can be a viral infection. It is spread by means of contaminated fingers and articles, such as eye make-up, pencils or toys.

Allergies may also cause redness and tearing of eyes.

**Incubation Period:** 24-72 hours

**Exclusion:** Student may return to school when symptom free or on the recommendation of the health advisor. Students placed on medication are usually excluded for a period of 24 hours after starting treatment.



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.