

ILLNESS/COMMUNICABLE DISEASE MEMO

Dear Parents/Guardians:

In order to promote a healthy environment at school for your children, we ask that you be particularly alert to the beginning signs of illness in your child. Keeping them home during an illness until they are completely well will help prevent spread of illness to others in the school. The following are some symptoms to watch for:

Thick mucus from nose	Persistent, productive cough
Diarrhea	Vomiting
Fever of 100 degrees or higher	Earache
Excessive drowsiness	Pain that interferes with learning
Red, itchy eyes with discharge	Sore throat that causes difficulty swallowing

If your child has any of these symptoms at school, you may be contacted, and if so, will be expected to make arrangements to pick your child up from school as soon as possible. If COVID symptoms are noted, it is recommended to obtain test results but are not necessary to return to school. Students must be symptom free for 24 hours and/or have their symptoms resolving before they are able to return to school or engage in school related activities. (This includes vomiting and diarrhea.) If an antibiotic is ordered they must be on that medication 24 hours before returning to school. Your health care provider or the public health department may determine the need to be out of school for a longer period of time. If your child is absent from school, please call the school to notify them if it is due to illness or other reasons.

If your child does test positive for COVID please contact the school nurse and/or health assistant immediately. Your student will need to quarantine at home for 5 days and may return to school on day 6 if symptoms are resolving and they have been fever free for 24 hours without fever reducing medications. Masking day 6 through day 10 is recommended but not required.

We must have a medication authorization form signed by you and your doctor if any medication is required during school hours. Medication bottles and doctors' orders must match. Please contact the school office to obtain this form and further information on the school medication Policy.

It is important to update Infinite Campus with correct phone numbers. We must have a working number to contact you and/or someone else in case you are unavailable. The statements above have been developed by school district staff, reviewed by the district's Health Advisory Committee and approved by the Oshkosh Area School District's Board of Education.

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Sincerely,

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