

## Keeping Your Child Home Due to Illness or Injury

**Minor** illnesses or injuries do not require your child to be absent from school. There are also many illnesses that do require your child to be absent from school, for your child's protection as well as the protection of the other students and staff members. Such conditions would include, but are not limited to:

- \*Fever of 100 degrees or higher- Your child should stay home if he/she has an oral temperature of 100 degrees or higher and should remain home until fever-free for 24 hours without using fever-reducing medications
- \*Vomiting- Your child should stay home if he/she has vomited within 2 hours prior to the start of the school day. They must eat and tolerate a normal meal without vomiting before returning to school
- \*Diarrhea (more than 1 loose/watery bowel movement)
- \*Pink eye ( untreated )
- \*Injury or illness requiring intensive medical services that interfere with the academic process
- \*Adverse side effects from medication that need monitoring
- \*Head lice, or no reduction in the number of nits after treatment of head lice

There are also some contagious conditions that carry special requirements about returning to school, such as strep throat, pink eye, chicken pox, flu, etc. If your student has a condition or illness that you are unsure about with regards to school attendance, please contact the nurse at your school to get information **before sending your child back to school**. We want to be a partner in promoting the very highest level of wellness for each student in our school environment.