

Dear Parents;

We are concerned for the health and welfare of our students and we want to maintain a healthy school environment for your children.

From experience we have learned that sick children seldom, if ever, gain anything by attending school. They are much better off at home where they are most likely to get the necessary care they need to recover. Keeping ill children at home also protects other children, their family and school staff.

**Your child may be contagious if you observe the following symptoms:**

DIARRHEA	NAUSEA OR VOMITING
SKIN RASH	EAR INFECTIONS/EARACHES
SORE THROAT	EYE DRAINAGE/PAIN
ELEVATED TEMPERATURE	PAIN/BODY ACHES
GENERAL FATIGUE OR LISTLESSNESS	

**Your child should be kept at home. If these signs persist, contact your physician.**

Keep your child home at least 24 hours after a fever and 24 hours after starting antibiotics.

Reminder: If your child needs to take medication at school, you are required to send an authorization form signed by you and your health care provider with the medication.

*Prompt care and isolation of a sick child will minimize the total time school days lost by your child and/or other children.* Regular attendance at school is necessary for your child to receive full benefit from school.

If your child is kept at home, please notify the school that your child will be absent and the reason for the absence.

Please call your school nurse if you have questions.

Sincerely,

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School Nurse

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Telephone Number