



## **CARROLLWOOD DAY SCHOOL SICK DAY POLICY**

The purpose of this policy is to outline Carrollwood Day School's safe return to campus after an illness. These guidelines have been prepared by the Carrollwood Day School Leadership Team, who have carefully considered the best practice standards in addressing and promoting the health, safety and welfare of our community.

### **WHEN TO STAY HOME:**

Daily health assessment presents with one (1) or more of the following:

- Fever/Chills/Body Aches/Fatigue
- Active Vomiting and/or Diarrhea
- The first 24 hours after being diagnosed with a viral infection (Flu, Covid, RSV) or treatment with an antibiotic for Bacterial Infection.
- Undiagnosed, new, and/or untreated rash or skin condition (i.e. generalized rash or hives, wound with purulent drainage, etc.).

### **DO NOT ATTEND SCHOOL - DO NOT COME TO CAMPUS UNTIL:**

- Fever - May return after 24 hours fever-free without the use of fever-reducing medication.
- Active vomiting and/or diarrhea - 1 school day from the last episode.
- The first 24 hours after being diagnosed with a viral infection (Flu, Covid, RSV) or treatment with an antibiotic for Bacterial Infection.

### **A PHYSICIAN'S NOTE OF CLEARANCE WILL BE REQUIRED:**

- Doctor's note of clearance for illness or medical procedure requiring 5-day absence.
- Doctor's note of clearance for new, and/or untreated rash or skin condition.
- Any injury or medical condition resulting in an interruption from normal activities.

### **WHEN A CHILD WILL BE SENT HOME:**

- Fever
- Any episode of Vomiting or Diarrhea
- Injury requiring medical attention
- Open skin lesion
- Red eyes with discharge

## AFTER AN ILLNESS

CDS policy on returning to school is designed to protect against the spread of illness and, also, to protect the child who has been out from a possible recurrence.

- **Respiratory Viruses** - Students with a respiratory virus should stay home and away from others. Students should return to school after at least 24 hours, symptoms are improving overall, and if a fever was present, it has gone without use of a fever-reducing medicine.
- **Open Sores**- No child will be readmitted to school until all sores have crusted over or dried out. A physician's note may be required to return.
- **Fever** - Students with a fever of 100.4 F child must remain home until free from fever for 24 hours with no fever-reducing medication.
- **Congestion** - Clear, runny noses are often signs of allergies. Discolored discharge frequently indicates illness or infection. Children with non-allergy symptoms must not attend school.
- **Lice** - Please report any cases of lice found within your family unit. Children will not be able to return to the classroom until proof of treatment is provided. No child may remain in the classroom with active head lice.
- **Active Vomiting/Diarrhea** - Students should not come to school 1 day from the last episode.
- **Bacterial infection and Antibiotic Treatment** - Students should not attend school for the first 24 hours after being diagnosed with a viral infection, or treatment with an antibiotic for a Bacterial infection.