

SHEFFIELD CITY SCHOOLS

Communicable Illness Protocol

Sheffield City Schools (SCS) will strive to protect the health and safety of all students and employees. SCS will utilize guidance for communicable illnesses from the Alabama Department of Public Health and the Alabama State Department of Education (see chart below):



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illness guidelines 1C

Student and employees should remain at home or will be sent home if he/she is experiencing any of the following symptoms of illness:

- **Fever** - Temperature of 100 or above with or without other symptoms. Student should remain at home until fever free for a **full 24 hours** without the use of fever reducing medication.
- **Vomiting or diarrhea** – should not attend school until vomiting or diarrhea has ceased for a full 24 hours.
- **Rashes** – unknown or undiagnosed rashes should be reviewed by a licensed medical provider. Proof of non-contagious status may be required for school return.
- **Influenza, covid or cold symptoms** – persons experiencing symptoms (not limited to cough, fatigue, vomiting/diarrhea, pain/discomfort, nasal drainage/congestion, sneezing, etc) should remain at home as advised by a licensed medical provider or until symptoms improve and are able to participate in the school setting at optimum level.
- **Pink Eye (Conjunctivitis) or Strep Throat** – persons must stay home for 24 hours until medication has been administered for a full 24 hours.

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