

# Dear Parent/Guardian,

Since your child has an exemption for required school vaccinations, we want to provide you with information in advance as to the requirement from the Pennsylvania Department of Health, should there be an outbreak of a disease listed below.

## Chicken Pox

### Exclusion:

·Exclude all individuals with chickenpox from school for **at least 5 days** after the rash began and/or until the rash has scabbed over, **whichever is longer**.

·Exposed children who are not immune to chickenpox should be **kept out of school** beginning on day 8 after their first exposure to a case of varicella until day 21 after the onset of the last case in the school.

·If the child is **vaccinated with the chicken pox (varicella) vaccine within 5 days** of their earliest exposure, the child may return to school.

## Measles

### Exclusion:

·Exclude all individuals with measles from school until **at least 4 days** after the appearance of the rash.

·Non-immunized children and staff who were exposed to their first exposure to a case should be excluded for **21 days following the onset of the rash** in the last case of measles or until no measles cases have occurred for a 14-day period.

·Individuals who receive an **MMR vaccine (covers measles) within 72 hours of exposure** may be permitted to return to school.

**Questions** about these vaccines?

We have **answers**.

For vaccine information go to:

**[immunizepa.org](http://immunizepa.org)**



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## Mumps

### Exclusion:

- Exclude all infected children, students, and/or staff until **5 days after the onset of swelling.**
- Individuals who are deemed at risk (those not vaccinated or have immunity) to contracting mumps must be **excluded for 26 days** following the onset of mumps in the last case identified.
- Individuals who are deemed at risk who receive **MMR vaccination may immediately return after vaccination** with the exception of individuals identified as having close contact to mumps case. Close contacts, even fully vaccinated, will still need to follow exclusion for 26 days following their last contact with the identified mumps case.

## Pertussis (Whooping Cough)

### Exclusion:

- Exclude all infected children, students, and/or staff and close contacts (such as household members) who are coughing until they **receive appropriate evaluation and treatment with antibiotics.**
- Excluded individuals may return **5 days after appropriate antibiotic treatment completion or until 21 days after the onset of cough.**



## Rubella (German Measles)

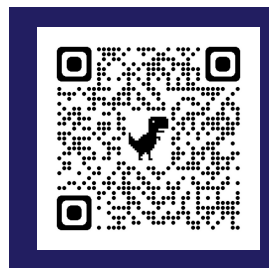
### Exclusion:

- Exclude all infected children, students, and/or staff until **7 days after the onset of rash.**
- Individuals deemed at risk (those not vaccinated or have immunity) to contracting rubella should continue to be excluded for **21 days following exposure.**
- Unvaccinated individuals who received the **MMR vaccine as part of outbreak control may immediately return to school** provided all unvaccinated persons have been excluded.

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Resource:

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