

REASONS TO KEEP YOUR CHILD HOME FROM SCHOOL

Havre Public Schools Guidelines

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What are their symptoms?	When to stay home and seek medical care?	When can they return to school?
FEVER	Keep them home if they have a fever of 100.4 or higher. Seek medical attention for any of the following: ear pain, sore throat, rash, stomachache, headache or tooth pain.	Return to school when they have not had a fever overnight without the use of fever reducing medication and are feeling better.
Vomiting and/or diarrhea	Keep them home if they have vomited in the past 24 hours or if their stools are watery and urgent. Seek medical care if they have stomach cramping and fever, bloody or black stool or are showing signs of dehydration.	Return to school when they have not vomited overnight, are able to drink liquids without throwing up, and diarrhea has resolved.
Persistent cough and/or trouble breathing	Keep them home and seek medical care if they have a persistent cough, difficulty breathing or develop a fever.	Return when they are feeling better, are fever free without fever reducing medication and if taking antibiotics, no sooner than 12 hours after first dose.
Rash	Keep them home and seek medical care if the rash has blisters, is draining, is painful, looks like bruises, covers a large portion of their body or they develop a fever.	Return once rash has healed or they have been cleared for return by a healthcare provider.
Eye Irritation	Keep them home and seek medical care if they have eye swelling, eye pain, trouble seeing or their eye is draining yellow discharge.	Return when they are feeling better and/or 24 hours after first dose of antibiotic drops.
Sore Throat	Keep them home and seek medical care if they are drooling, have trouble swallowing, have a fever and/or a rash.	Return when they are feeling better and are fever free, if prescribed antibiotics 12-24 hours after the first dose.