

Policy and Procedure for Exclusions from School

Exclusions from school will be based on certain findings determined by the school nurse

Students will be excluded from school for the following:

- Fever of more than 100 degrees. Students are to remain home until they are fever free for 24 hours without fever reducing medications.
- Vomiting/Diarrhea- Students are to remain home from school for 24 hours if students experience 2 or more episodes.
- Head lice-Students will be sent home if live bugs are found and should be evaluated by the school nurse before returning to class. Nits more than ¼" from the scalp are not viable and student can stay in class.
- Chicken Pox- Students with suspected chicken pox will be sent home to be evaluated by a physician. Students will not be allowed to return to school until the lesions are dry (scabbed) or if the lesions are not vesicular (blister-like)
- Fifth's Disease- Students with suspected fifth's disease will be sent home to be evaluated by a physician. Exclude until fever subsides.
- Unknown rash- Students will be sent home to be evaluated by a physician for any unknown rash and may return to school once released by physician, or student is free of symptoms.
- Conjunctivitis or Pink Eye- Student will be sent home and are to remain home until antibiotics have been started.
- Strep throat- Students will be sent home to be evaluated by physician and may return 24 hours after starting antibiotics.

Any suspected communicable disease will be sent home and referred to a physician. NISD Nurses will follow the guidelines set down by the Texas Department of Health Services regarding all Communicable diseases.

The local health department will be notified by the school nurse of a reportable communicable disease.