## Too Sick For School?

## PLEASE READ THOROUGHLY TO PROTECT YOUR CHILD AND OTHERS!!!

You don't want your child to miss school; but neither do you want to send a sick child to school to endanger him/her or others as well. Due to the medically complex nature of many of our students here, we must be very diligent regarding illnesses. We want to keep our students as healthy as possible!



## When should your child stay home? Here are a few guidelines we ask that you follow:

PLEASE keep children home during the course of a fever/illness and for an additional 24
hours after the fever/illness has passed without fever reducers (such as Tylenol, Motrin,
Advil). Your child may be carrying something very contagious.

Students presenting with any of the symptoms noted below should be not in school or in contact with other children. If symptoms persist, students should obtain clearance from a physician prior to returning to school with a doctor's note.

Runny Nose	Cloudy or yellow/green discharge with congestion and fever
Cough	Frequent or uncontrollable and accompanied by fever
Fever	If temperature is above 100.0 °F
Diarrhea or Vomiting	One episode of vomiting or diarrhea
Strep Throat	Sore throat, headache, nausea, fever. The only way to rule out Strep is with a throat culture performed by a physician.
Pink Eye/ Conjunctivitis	Eye is red with complaints of burning or itching. Crusty, white or yellow drainage is occurring.
Rash/Skin Infection	Any child with a rash or signs of skin infection not having been evaluated by a doctor. Even after clearance by a physician, rashes should be covered during school hours as much as possible.
Chicken Pox	Itching with pink/red spots with blister-like center, fever
Flu	Fever of 100.0 and above with accompanying sore throat, cough,runny nose, congestion, body aches, extreme tiredness, vomiting or diarrhea

<sup>\*\*</sup>If your child does not exhibit any of these symptoms but is unable to participate in a normal school day, parent/guardian will be notified to come take the child home. If you have any questions, please contact the office.

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