



When To Keep Your Child Home From School:

Fever: If your child has a fever of 100 or above, please keep them home from school. Students with temperatures above 100.4 will be sent home. If your child has been home with a fever, please do not send them back to school until they are fever free for 24 hours **without** fever reducing medications (Tylenol, Advil, ibuprofen etc.)

Vomiting of Diarrhea: If your child has had vomiting or diarrhea, please keep them home for 24 hours after the last episode. Please do not send your child back to school if they are still feeling unwell, or if they are not able to keep down food and liquid.

Headache: Please keep your child at home if they have a significant headache that is not responding to treatment at home, or if it is accompanied by other symptoms such as fever.

Cough, cold symptoms and/or sore throat: Please keep your child at home if they have a cough or cold symptoms associated with fever or swollen glands. Please keep them home if they are not responding to treatment at home. If your healthcare provider has prescribed antibiotics, your child must be on antibiotics for at least 24 hours before returning to school. Your child may attend school with mild cold symptoms if there is no fever.

Rash: Any new, unexplained rash should be seen by your healthcare provider. A note stating that your child's rash is not contagious should be submitted to the nurse upon return to school. If your child has a contagious rash (such as ringworm or impetigo), please provide a note from your provider indicating that they are under treatment and able to return to school.

Red eyes: Please keep your child home if the white part of the eye appears red, produces any drainage, or is crusted closed in the morning. If your child has been diagnosed with conjunctivitis (pinkeye), they may attend school after being treated for at least 24 hours with medication.

Lice: If your child has head lice, please have the condition treated at home. Please check siblings and treat them if necessary. Your child may return to school after treatment. Students with live lice will be sent home.

If your child has been in the Emergency Department, Urgent Care or admitted to the hospital: Please submit a copy of the discharge instructions and any notes permitting your child to return to school. Notes with any special instructions including crutches, appliances (including ace wraps and orthopedic braces), physical education restrictions and elevator requests should also be submitted to the nurse. Students arriving at school with crutches without a medical note will be sent home.

Please keep your emergency contacts up to date in Genesis in case the nurse needs to contact you if your child is not feeling well.