

HEALTH GUIDELINES

During the school day, your children interact with many other children and adults. In order to maintain a healthy environment for all, please follow the guidelines below:

1. If your child has any of the following: fever over 100, vomiting, irritability, diarrhea, rash with fever or behavioral change, mouth sores with drooling, persistent cough and/or nasal discharge or symptoms that prevent your child from participating in school activities he/she should remain home until symptom free for 24 hours or a physician has determined the child is able to return.
2. If your child has a generalized illness (see above) during the school day, he/she will be excluded and should remain home until symptom free for 24 hours or until a physician has determined the child is able to return.
3. If your child has strep throat, he/she is excluded until 24 hours after medication with antibiotics has been instituted.
4. If your child has pink eye (purulent conjunctivitis), he/she will be excluded until examined by a physician and approved for readmission with no purulent (pus) discharge.
5. All cuts and abrasions should be kept clean and covered with a bandage. Any unusual amounts of drainage or swelling will be referred to the child's medical provider. If your child has impetigo and/or a draining wound that can not be covered sufficiently, he/she is excluded until appropriately treated.
6. A child will also be excluded for communicable diseases in accordance with New Jersey Law/American Academy of Pediatrics Red Book.
7. If your child has any serious injuries, surgery or is hospitalized a note from the doctor is needed to return to school. The note should indicate if there are any limitations or if your child is allowed to participate in all school activities. **The school physician has the final review of any reports and orders from a child's medical provider.**
8. The spread of any infectious disease can be prevented or deterred if students adhere to basic principle of good personal hygiene, cleanliness and recommended use of personal protective measures.