



In most situations the school prefers students come to school and if they become ill at school, the parent/guardian will be notified. However, here are a few guidelines to help parent/guardian in deciding when to keep your child home from school.

Symptom	Student must be at home?
<p>Diarrhea Frequent, loose or watery stools compared to child's normal pattern: not caused by diet or medication</p>	<p>Yes -If your child looks or acts ill: if the child has diarrhea with a fever and/or vomiting. Make sure your sick child stays well hydrated. <i>Student can return when he/she has not had diarrhea during the last 48 hours.</i></p>
<p>Fever Fever is the body's way of destroying the germs making it sick, and it's a common symptom of infections.</p>	<p>Yes - When fever > 100 is accompanied by other symptoms of illness, such as rash, sore throat, vomiting, headache, muscle aches, loss of appetite, etc. <i>Student can return when fever has been gone for 48 hours without medication and the child's appetite and energy level returned to normal.</i></p>
<p>Flu The flu can be serious. Symptoms of the flu typically come on suddenly and can include: fever, chills, headache, body aches, sore throat, nausea, vomiting, dry cough</p>	<p>Yes - If your child has a fever > 100 or will be unable to participate in class. <i>Student can return when fever has been gone for 48 hours without medication and energy level has returned to normal.</i></p>
<p>Coughing Severe, uncontrolled coughing or wheezing, rapid or difficulty breathing <u>Note:</u> Children with asthma may be cared for in school with a written health care plan and authorization for medication/treatment</p>	<p>Yes - Medical attention is necessary</p>
<p>Mild Respiratory or Cold Symptoms Stuffy nose with clear drainage, sneezing, mild cough</p>	<p>No - Child may attend school if able to participate in class.</p>
<p>Rash</p>	<p>No - Body rash without fever or other symptoms usually does not require student to remain at home Yes -Seek medical advice for rash with fever, open and weeping wounds, or quickly spreading rash</p>
<p>Vomiting Vomiting is another way for the body to rid itself of the germs making it sick and is usually caused by a stomach virus or infection.</p>	<p>Yes - Keep students home if they have vomited 2 or more times in the last 24 hours. <i>Student can return when he/she has not had vomiting during the last 48 hours.</i></p>
Illness	Student must be at home ?
<p>Pinkeye (conjunctivitis) Symptoms of pinkeye include eye redness, itchiness, discharge that forms a crust during the night that may prevent your eye or eyes from opening in the morning</p>	<p>Yes - If given antibiotics, please keep at home until he/she has taken the antibiotics for at least 24 hours. If your health provider decides not to treat your child, a note is needed.</p>