



Excusing due to Illness: Guidelines

A student will be excused from school for the following:

- Fever of 100 degrees or more, the student needs to stay home for 24 hours after the temperature returns to normal, without the use of medication
- Vomiting or diarrhea, the student needs to stay home 24 hours after **last episode**
- Any new, undiagnosed rash with fever or behavior change
- An illness that requires antibiotics. Your child may return after 12 hours of first dose.
- Uncontrolled cough, difficulty breathing, and/or unusual fatigue

A student will be excused from school for the following conditions:

- Bronchitis: until the fever has subsided and/or antibiotics have been started for 24 hours
- Chickenpox: until all blisters have dried into scabs (usually 6-7 days after the rash begins)
- Pinkeye: until 24 hours after antibiotics drops have been started and student has no pus-like drainage. Student may be excluded from school for clear drainage if they are unable to keep hands away from eyes.
- Influenza: until the fever has subsided for 24 hours and student feels well enough to participate in routine activities
- Pertussis: for 5 days after beginning antibiotics
- Pneumonia: until the fever has subsided for 24 hours and student feels well enough to participate in routine activities
- Respiratory Infection: until the fever has subsided for 24 hours and student feels well enough to participate in routine activities
- RSV: until the fever has subsided for 24 hours and student feels well enough to participate in routine activities
- Ringworm: until 24 hours after treatment has started or if lesion cannot be covered
- Shingles: no exclusion unless area cannot be covered
- Strep Throat: unit 12 hours after antibiotics have started and fever is gone