



Parent Information from the School Nurse

Parents:

As you are aware, there are many illnesses and medical conditions that affect school age children. We see a variety of complaints in our schools, including vomiting, diarrhea, flu symptoms, strep throat, pink eye, colds, fevers, head lice and scabies. Overall good hygiene and especially good hand washing habits should be stressed by parents, teachers, and school nurses to all students.

In an attempt to reduce the spread of illness and to avoid having parents make untimely trips to pick their sick child up at school, we ask that you review the following list of symptoms for which you should not send your child to school.

Please do not send your child to school if he/she:

- Has vomited or had diarrhea several times the night before or once in the morning
- Has a fever of 100 degrees or above
- Has a rash that has not been diagnosed or is uncomfortable
- Has itching, redness or pus draining from one or both eyes, not related to allergies
- Is coughing uncontrollably or coughing up mucus
- Has head lice or scabies that has not been treated

Call your physician if these symptoms last for more than 24 hours.

Be sure to notify the school if your child will be absent.

Please call your school nurse if you have questions or concerns and she will be happy to help you.

