

## HEALTH PROTOCOL

Parents:

Every year, a number of students become ill for many reasons, including exposure to other ill children in the classroom. To help you make decisions about whether or not to send your child to school, we have put together a list of indicators to help you to decide. A child must not be in school and will be sent home if the following condition(s) are present:

1. Fever of 100 degrees or higher. A child must be fever-free for 24 hours (without medication) before returning to school.
2. Persistent cough.
3. Sore throat with fever and/or white spots on the throat, if strep throat is diagnosed, the child must be on medication for 24 hours before returning to school.
4. Rash with fever illness, such as chicken pox, measles, etc.
5. Vomiting or diarrhea. A child must be free from symptoms for 24 hours before returning to school.
6. Red, itchy, and draining eyes – if conjunctivitis or “pink eye” is diagnosed, the child must be on medication for 24 hours before returning to school.
7. Prolonged headache and stomachache.
8. Swelling or pain at a level that may interfere with learning.
9. Earache.
10. Toothache.
11. Head lice – child may return to school after being treated by a pediculicide and checked in through the health office.

**Please keep this sheet in a convenient place for future reference. Feel free to contact the school health office with any questions. Thank you.**