

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

When to Keep Your Child Home

Naturally we want your child in school as much as possible, but there are specific times your child needs to remain home for his/her comfort, well-being, and to prevent the spread of communicable illness to classmates and staff.

- When vomiting has occurred within the last 24 hours
- When diarrhea has occurred within the last 24 hours
- For a temperature of 100° or higher within the last 24 hours without fever reducing medication
- When strep throat is suspected, but results of a throat culture have not been received
- When there are any symptoms of acute illness such as persistent cough, runny nose, with body aches
- When there is a rash
- When one or both eyes are red, itchy, and have crusted matter or exudate in them
- When there is a severe toothache or earache
- When ringworm has not been treated

Your Child May Return To School

- When your child looks and behaves like him/herself for 24 hours
- When temperature is normal for 24 hours without medication
- When 2 consecutive meals have been well tolerated after vomiting
- 24 hours after last diarrhea
- When he/she has been on an antibiotic for 24 hours for strep throat or pinkeye and temperature is normal for 24 hours
- Students may return to school after proper treatment for ringworm (a doctor's note is required) and the lesion is covered with a bandage (exceptions will be discussed on an individual basis)

Absences: Call your elementary school building's main office or nurse by 9:00 a.m. For middle school or high school, call the attendance office by 8:00 a.m.