

## **Guidelines Regarding a Sick Child**

## Dear Parent/Guardian(s):

In the morning before school, many parents need to decide if their child is well enough to attend school. When students come to school sick, they can often make other students and the school staff sick. These guidelines will assist you in the decision of whether to keep your child home or send them to school.

Stay Home	May Go To School When	
COVID-19 Symptoms		
<ul> <li>Fever of 100.4° F or above or smell</li> <li>Chills Sore throat</li> <li>Cough Congestion or runny nose breath/difficulty breathing vomiting</li> <li>Headache Diarrhea</li> <li>Muscle or body aches</li> <li>New loss of taste or smell</li> <li>Sore throat</li> <li>Congestion or runny nose</li> <li>Nausea or vomiting</li> <li>Diarrhea</li> <li>Fatigue</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>If positive test for COVID-19, student must be released by the local health department or their health care provider</li> <li>For further guidance (without symptoms, COVID-19 like symptoms, and COVID-19 exposure) contact your local health department or call 211</li> </ul>	
Fever of 100.4° F or above	<ul> <li>Fever free from 24 hours without use of Tylenol/Ibuprofen or other fever-reducing medications</li> </ul>	
Throwing up or vomiting	<ul> <li>Free from vomiting for 24 hours and able to hold down food.</li> </ul>	
Uncontrollable diarrhea	Free from diarrhea for 12 hours.	
Persistent coughing	Sleeping without waking to cough.	
Rashes from unknown causes	<ul> <li>Rash has a diagnosis is being treated or has healed</li> </ul>	
Headache	<ul> <li>Headache is not significant and does not interrupt ability to open eyes and focus on school work.</li> </ul>	
Any health concern where the child is unable to learn.	Able to focus with strength and vitality to learn.	

These are some examples of health concerns where your child should stay home and when they may be ready to come to school. Your school wants your child to be in school if they are well enough to be there. Contact your medical provider and school nurse, if you have any further questions.

Sincerely,		
Signature/Title		