

## When to Keep Your Child Home From School

The following information is presented in order to answer questions that have been asked regarding a student's return to school following an illness. Thank you for helping to keep our students healthy.

**Fever:** Should be free of fever for 24 hours before returning to school.

**Vomiting and/or Diarrhea:** Should remain at home. If vomiting or diarrhea occurs before school, keep student at home.

**Chicken Pox:** Remain at home until last blister to break out has dried.

**Epidemic Meningitis:** Exclude from school until released by private physician or Health Department. Must have certificate from doctor.

**Head Lice:** Must have adequate treatment with head lice shampoo. Should consult the school nurse, doctor, or Health Department about treatment.

**Viral Hepatitis:** Exclude from school until released by private physicians or Health Department.

**Impetigo:** Must have adequate treatment. Consult doctor or school nurse.

**Conjunctivitis (Pink Eye):** Should have treatment from doctor. May prescribe antibiotic ointment or eye drops. Eyes should be clear and not sticking together.

**Ringworm:** Permit school attendance, must be covered with band aid or dressing. Application of over the counter medication.

**Ringworm of Scalp:** Need prescription medicine and a certificate from doctor. Can return to school after student has been on prescribed medication.

**Scabies:** Exclude from school until under adequate treatment. Return 24 hours after application of prescribed medicine.

**Streptococcal Infections:** Must have prescription medication. May return 24 hours after antibiotic therapy has begun.

Please post this information in your home for future reference.

Thank you for your help.