

Brock ISD Health Guidelines

Communicable Disease Policies

A pupil who has symptoms of an infectious or contagious disease shall be temporarily removed from school until the danger of transmitting the infection/disease has passed.

Students with the following signs and symptoms are to be excluded from school attendance until they are symptom free and fever free **without medication** for 24 hours prior to returning to school.

1. Fever with oral equivalent of 100.4 or greater
2. Vomiting
3. Diarrhea
4. Skin rashes that are associated with fever or any drainage
5. Red eyes that include red conjunctiva with infectious discharge
6. Persistent productive cough that produces bloody sputum
7. Any open draining lesion
8. Jaundice
9. Evidence of head lice (pediculosis)

Signs and symptoms will be assessed individually by the school nurse and may result in exclusion from attending class. Students with a rash may return to school with a written statement from the physician indicating that the student's diagnosis is not contagious. Students may return without a physician statement if the condition resolves.

Medications

Medications may be given to a student with written parental permission and kept in the nurse's office/front office or with teacher if needed. A completed medication form should include student name, date of birth, medication name and directions with parent signature. **NO MEDICATION SHOULD BE SENT TO SCHOOL IN BAGGIES, LUNCH BOXES or other containers other than the original container/prescription bottle. All over the counter medications MUST BE AGE appropriate or they will not be given.**

Students may not carry or self-administer medications at school. Exceptions are epinephrine for anaphylaxis, insulin and asthma inhalers. Consents forms must include parent/physician permission to carry.

All medication should be given outside of the school hours if at all possible. If a student has an antibiotic that needs to be given 3 times daily, please plan to give **before school, after school and before bedtime.**

Parents will need to pick up outdated/unused medication at the end of the school year. Medications not picked up at the end of the school year will be properly disposed.