

Office of the School Nurse  
Willis E. Thorpe School

September, 2019

Dear Parents,

This letter is to inform you that there is a student in our school who is immunocompromised. This means that when he/she is exposed to viruses and bacterial infections, he/she can very easily contract the infection and become very ill.

In an effort to keep this child, as well as all of our children, healthy this school year, we ask that you keep your child home for the following reasons:

1. Fever of more than 100 degrees F in the past 24 hours. Students must be fever free without the use of fever reducers such as Tylenol for at least 24 hours before returning to school.
2. Repeated vomiting or diarrhea within the last 24 hours.
3. Severe cold with fever, sneezing and thickened nasal discharge.
4. Sore throat, especially when combined with fever or swollen glands.
5. Cough that keeps your child awake at night, worsens with activity, or is combined with other symptoms.
6. Earache that is persistent and severe.
7. Redness in the whites of the eyes, yellow or creamy discharge and matted eyelashes. If your child is diagnosed with conjunctivitis he/she must be treated with an antibiotic ointment or drops for at least 24 hours before returning to school.
8. Any unknown rash, especially if accompanied by a fever or if blistering, oozing or sore.
9. Strep throat must be treated with antibiotics for at least 24 hours before the student may return to school. Please let me know when your child has been diagnosed with Strep throat or conjunctivitis. I can advise other parents better if I know that there have been illnesses in the classroom.
10. Inform the school if your child has been diagnosed with chicken pox or any other infectious disease.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter and look forward to a healthy school year for all of the children.

Sincerely,

Lynne Terrile, RN, CPNP  
School Nurse