

Sick Policy

Dear Parents,

If your child is feeling sick, he or she must stay home. Teachers and parents are not doctors. The symptoms for Covid-19, the flu and allergies are similar. When in doubt check it out with your doctor. Please respect the other children, their families and the teachers by keeping your child home if sick.

If a child is brought or becomes **ill at school**, and has to leave due to **illness**, you will be required to take your child to the doctor and **bring a note from the doctor** saying what date they are cleared to come back to school **when they are no longer contagious** to other children & adults before they can be cleared to return to our environment.

****If your child's doctor believes your child has Allergies, meds MUST be provided to alleviate the nasal discharge, chest congestion, and/or coughing. If doctor will not prescribe meds, or feels child does not need meds, a Doctor's Written Note will be required, OR your child will be sent home until symptoms disappear.****

Illness at school that may cause you immediately to have to take your child to the doctor may include, but is not limited to:

- 1) A Fever over 100.9F on the ear thermometer, under the arm, oral, or rectal (will need to see Dr to make sure child doesn't have an ear infection or strep throat or other contagious flu/cold).
- 2) Any type of Rash or questionable Bumps, and/or red Spots (need to go to Dr to determine which rash child has and proper quarantine time to prevent spread of infection).
- 3) Green/Yellow/Brown Mucus coming out of the nose, mouth, or eyes (will need 24hrs of antibiotic for nose/mouth or 24hrs of antibiotic eye drops for conjunctivitis/pink eye drainage before return to school).
- 4) Uncontrollable Coughing with or without Congestion (will need appropriate asthma meds or cough syrup to make the coughing stop).
- 5) Loose stool or Diarrhea more than once in a day (will not be allowed back to school until they have gone 24hrs without diarrhea).
- 6) Vomiting or stomach flu of any kind (will not be allowed back to school until they have gone 24hrs without vomiting).

Please do not bring your child to school if they exhibit any of these symptoms. If you bring your child with these symptoms, they will be turned away at the front door, or called shortly thereafter, and you will be asked to keep your child home until the symptoms are no longer present.

If your child is sick, and you plan to stay home, please remember to call by 9am so we can adjust staffing if possible. Please remember these policies are set in place to PROTECT the overall health of all of the children and families in our school. If you bring your child to school sick you risk infecting not only the teachers that provide care for your child, but also the other children in our program, as well as their mother's and father's and siblings, possibly making them miss work and or school, birthdays and other important social occasions. Thank you for keeping your sick child home.

Sincerely,

Sharon Glasson

Parent signature: _____ Date: _____