

When should my child stay home?

1. When your child has a **temperature higher than 100.0**. Your child should *stay home until they have been under 100.0 for 24 hours without Tylenol (acetaminophen) or Motrin (ibuprofen)*.
2. When your child has **vomited in the last 24 hours**.
3. When your child has had **2 or more bouts of diarrhea in the last 24 hours**.
4. When your child has **thick yellow drainage from eyes or crusty drainage on eyelashes**. (When your child is diagnosed with “pink eye”, the student needs to remain at home until the antibiotic has been used for 24 hours.)
5. **When your child has a sore throat with a fever over 100.0**. (When your child is diagnosed with “strep throat”, the student needs to remain at home until the antibiotic has been used for 24 hours.)
6. When your child has **an uncontrollable cough**.
7. When your child **has severe pain** that is not easily controlled with ibuprofen or acetaminophen. (*The School Nurse can only administer medicine to students with an authorization from medical provider and written permission from parent/guardian.*)
8. When your child is **starting a new medicine prescribed by the medical provider. It is the parent’s responsibility to monitor for side effects**. (*When possible, start the medicine on a weekend or day off from school to prevent absence from school.*)

COVID Specific General Guidelines to follow for keeping your child home:

Follow the above guidelines, but also watch for:

New onset of loss of taste or smell.

New onset severe headache, especially with a fever.

Two or more symptoms from the COVID symptom list.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call me at 860-564-6440 ext.

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Thank you!

Nurse Kim