

**Parents are requested to keep a child at home, particularly if the child displays any of the symptoms listed below:**

Diarrhea in the last 24 hours with or without medication.

Fever 100 degrees or higher - a child should be fever free for 24 hours (without taking any fever-reducing medication) prior to returning to school. During the flu season, if the temperature is below 100 but the student is exhibiting flu-like symptoms, they will be sent home at the nurse's discretion.

Suspected contagious disease.

Vomiting (they must remain at home if they have vomited in the last 24 hours).

Mucous Discharge - if your student has a mucous discharge other than clear, please do not send them to school as this could be a sign of infection.

**Please notify your school if your child has a communicable disease. The following are guidelines for readmission to school per the TDSHS. However, a physician's note stating a particular date a student may return to school will be enforced.**

Chickenpox- may return when all lesions are dry (crusty or scabbed over), usually 7-10 days

Conjunctivitis or Pink Eye – may return after treatment has begun

Diarrhea – may return when diarrhea free x 24 hours

Fever – may return when fever free x 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing meds

Fifth Disease – may return when fever free x 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing meds

Flu – may return when fever free x 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing meds

Impetigo – blisters, and drainage must be contained in a clean and dry bandage

Pediculosis head lice – may return after treatment with a pediculicide shampoo

Ringworm – may remain in school, the area must be covered at all times

Scabies – may return when treatment has begun

Strep throat – may return after the student has been on an antibiotic x 24 hours, and no fever x 24 hours without fever reducing med

## **WHEELCHAIRS/CRUTCHES AT SCHOOL**

Please provide written documentation to your school nurse when any medical equipment, such as crutches or wheelchairs, is needed while at school. Documentation from the doctor who provided the equipment or diagnosed the concern is necessary. This is to ensure that the student has been properly instructed on the use of this equipment. We want to make sure all of our students are safe while at school.