



## ATTENDANCE - SICKNESS/CONTAGIOUS ILLNESS

Sickness or contagious illness excuses a child from school. After having a serious type of illness, a child may not be admitted to school without written permission from a doctor. The principal will dismiss any child showing symptoms of a communicable disease such as high fever, rash, vomiting, or diarrhea. Before a child is dismissed, the parents/guardians will be contacted.

Parents/legal guardians will be called and asked to take any child home if they present any of these symptoms. Please be considerate of your child's needs, and the office and school staff, by promptly picking up your child should you be called to do so. Children should be free from high fever (greater than 101) and vomiting for at least 24 hours before returning to school (without the use of fever-reducing medication), especially those suffering communicable diseases such as the flu, pink eye, and strep. In the case of strep throat, a patient may return to school 12 hours after taking the first dose of the antibiotic for strep, if the patient is well-appearing and without a fever.