



Ranney School 2020-2021 Sick Policy

Updated August 5, 2020

In an abundance of caution, we will strictly enforce this Sick Policy. Students with any of the following symptoms or circumstances may not attend school in person. If students are found to exhibit any of these symptoms while at school, they will be sent home immediately. Parents must pick up children within an hour of notification.

Symptoms	Circumstances
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Temperature of 100.4+ • Cough • Difficulty breathing • Sore throat • Severe cold symptoms • Loss of smell or taste • Unusual body aches • Nausea or vomiting • Diarrhea • Undiagnosed rash 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • COVID-19 Positive Test • Student has been identified as a contact with exposure to a positive COVID-19 case • Student has traveled to a state or country on New Jersey’s quarantine list • Student has taken fever or symptom-reducing medications to alleviate symptom listed to the left within the last 24-hours

Health Certification

- Parents will be required to certify every morning via an app that their child(ren) do not have any of the above symptoms, conditions, or circumstances.
- Administrators and faculty will check students’ temperature during the school day to ensure compliance with our Sick Policy or to identify students who might begin to develop symptoms of illness while at school.
- If a family repeatedly violates the Sick Policy by sending their child(ren) to school when they are sick, or if a student refuses to comply with any of the school’s policies related to health and safety, the student(s) will be required to learn virtually for the remainder of the school year.

Return to Campus Policy for Non-COVID Illness

- If a student exhibits any of the symptoms listed above, they must obtain clearance from a physician prior to return to campus.
- If a student is prescribed antibiotics for an illness, they will require a doctor’s note with the diagnosis and may return to campus 24 hours after the first dose of antibiotics.
- In the case of vomiting or diarrhea, assuming the student does not exhibit any other additional symptoms, the student may return to campus 24 hours after symptoms resolve and a normal diet can be resumed.

Return to Campus Policy for COVID-19 Related Symptoms, Illness or Circumstances

- We are developing specific protocols regarding quarantine and return to campus clearance requirements specifically related to COVID-19 symptoms and circumstances. Administrators are working closely with Ranney’s Medical Advisory Board and Board of Trustees, and also participating in training related to COVID-19 Case Response and Contact Tracing. We are closely following CDC, state and local guidelines regarding safe school opening. Once these policies are finalized, we will update this policy accordingly.

Notifying the School of a Child's Illness

- If your child is sick with any illness and is unable to attend class (whether in person or virtually), you must notify your respective division's assistant:
 - ✓ Upper School email Ninetta Vuoso at nvuoso@ranneyschool.org
 - ✓ Middle School email Cheryl White at cwhite@ranneyschool.org.
 - ✓ Lower School email lsattendance@ranneyschool.org.
- A nurse from the Health Office will follow up with you to assess symptoms and discuss the need for medical evaluation before the student may be cleared to return to campus.

Effective communication between the Health Office and home is extremely important to help your child in the event of an illness or injury. Our Health Office will be proactive in reaching out to you in the event your child becomes ill so that we support your child and assess potential risk of COVID-19. Please return calls from the Health Office promptly and feel free to contact the Health Office directly with details about the Sick Policy or questions regarding your child.

Also, please keep your contact information up to date in myRanney.

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