Dear Parent or Guardian:

Re-admission of students who have been absent from school because of communicable disease is governed by the following: When your child is sent home from school for illness, please keep him/her home the next day. Students must be fever free for 24 hours without medication. Students with temperatures 101° or above, are vomiting, and/or with diarrhea the night before or in the morning, should not be in school that day.

ILLNESS Suspected or Diagnosed	MAY RETURN TO SCHOOL
Chicken Pox	All sores have crusted and dried and note from medical provider with return date
Gastrointestinal Distress	No vomiting or diarrhea for at least 24 hours
Hand, Foot, and Mouth	Fever free for 24 hours without medication AND all sores have crusted
Hepatitis	Health care provider's written approval
Influenza and Common Cold	Fever free for 24 hours without medication
Lice	Do not send home early or exclude from school. Notify parent of lice and need for treatment. Over the counter treatments available at any drug store
Meningitis	Health care provider's written approval
Pink Eye (Conjunctivitis)	24 hours after starting antibiotics OR health care provider clears student to return
Rash with Fever	Rash and fever have resolved OR health care provider clears student to return
Ringworm of Body	No exclusion, provided area is covered OR under treatment
Ringworm of Scalp	Under treatment from health care provider with provider signed exclusion
Scabies	Do not send home early. Exclude until after first course of treatment has been completed with provider signed exclusion
Streptococcal Diseases	Impetigo: 24 hours after antibiotic treatment begins AND all sores covered
(i.e. Impetigo, Strep Throat)	Strep throat: 24 hours after antibiotic treatment begins AND fever free without medication

^{*} During flu season, temperature may be adjusted to 100°.

The control of contagious and infectious diseases is an important part of school Health Services. Consistent with the Code of Virginia and NNPS School Board Policy JLCC, students having or suspected of having contagious or infectious diseases may be excluded from school. Exclusion and readmission of students will be based upon: absence of the contagious or infectious disease (written approval from a doctor may be required); recommendations of the school division's medical advisor; recommendation of the medical review committee established in Procedure JLCC-P; and/or the school nurses' assessment of the student.