

Dear Parent or Guardian:

Re-admission of pupils 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, vomiting, and/or with diarrhea the night before or in the morning, should not be in school that day.

<b>Illness Suspected or Diagnosed</b>	<b>Pupils May Return to School</b>	<b>Free of These Complications</b>	<b>Period of Communicability</b>	<b>Other</b>
Common cold and flu	If fever free (below 101°) * for 24 hrs without medication	Cough, fever, vomiting, diarrhea, pneumonia	Varies	Nursing judgment
Chicken Pox	When all sores are <u>crusted</u> and <u>dry</u>	Ear infection, fever, severe cough, etc.	1 - 2 days before and 6 days after onset of rash	
GI Distress	No vomiting or diarrhea since evening before		GI distress may not be contagious	Nursing judgment of individual symptoms
Hepatitis (Meningitis (bacterial))	With written doctor's approval With written doctor's approval	.	Varies Varies	
Lice	After treatment and checked by nurse	Reoccurrence	Varies Over the counter treatment available at any drug store.	Specific requirements provided by school nurse
Pink Eye (Conjunctivitis)	Under medical treatment	May return as soon as using drops	Until treatment initiated	
Scabies	Under medical treatment; doctor signed exclusion		Varies	
Impetigo Ringworm of the body	Under treatment and covered		Varies	
Ringworm of the scalp	Under medical treatment; doctor signed exclusion		Varies	
Questionable rash with fever	With doctor's note that rash is not contagious or rash is gone		Varies	Nursing judgment
Streptococcal Diseases, i.e., Strep throat, Scarletina, Scarlet Fever	<b>1 day after beginning antibiotic treatment; fever free (below 101°) for 24 hours without medication</b>		Greatest during acute phase of respiratory illness & in first 2 wks. of carrier stage	

\* During flu season, temperature may be adjusted to below 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.