

SCPENS Sickness Policy

NO – May Not Attend	YES – May Attend
YOUR CHILD <u>MUST STAY HOME</u> IF SHE/HHE HAS THE FOLLOWING SYMPTOMS:	YOUR CHILD <u>MAY BE AT SCHOOL</u> IF HER/HIS CONDITION IS AS FOLLOWS:
FEVER: Has a fever of 100° or above (or 101° rectally). Has had a fever within the last 24 hours.	FEVER: Has a normal temperature 98.6° (99.6° rectally). If recovering from a fever, has had no fever for a full 24 hours.
COLDS: Has a runny nose (clear, white, yellow or green discharge) and this condition is less than 3 days old. If you child has a runny nose today and didn't yesterday, even if teething, you must keep your child home.	COLDS: Has a runny nose which is at least 4 days old (your child may return to school with a clear discharge after 3 days at home). Has a runny nose and a doctor's note stating that it is an allergic condition.
COUGH: Has a wet, wheezy cough, which through the mucus, could spread viral or bacterial infection.	COUGH: A child with a dry-sounding cough will usually be admitted if the cough is not related to other illness.
EYES: Discharge (green or white) from the eyes, (possible pink eye or conjunctivitis). Will not be admitted with discharge, even if on medication. Examination by doctor is recommended.	EYES: No signs of fresh discharge from the eyes.
DIARRHEA: Recurring diarrhea (loose, watery stools) when not food-related or when associated with other symptoms of illness.	DIARRHEA: No more diarrhea or accompanying symptoms within the past 24 hours.
VOMITING: Recurring vomiting (more than once) or vomiting accompanied by fever.	VOMITING: No more vomiting or accompanying symptoms within the past 24 hours.
LICE: Intense scratching of scalp. Mites or eggs (nits) in the hair.	LICE: Treatment with pyriate shampoo or prescribed treatment. Removal of all eggs.
SCABIES: Raised red spots or lines on skin and intense itching caused by a microscopic mite.	SCABIES: Treatment with scabicide and doctor's note certifying lack of contagion.
SKIN: Presence of impetigo, draining poison oak, cold sores, canker sores, or fever blisters. Contagious rashes such as measles, roseola or chicken pox.	SKIN: Absence of symptoms. Children with known skin allergies or diaper rashes may attend school. Full recovery from contagious diseases.

The goal of the sickness policy is to prevent the spread of communicable illness at school. While we cannot prevent all illness, we can reduce its incidence and severity. In the event of an outbreak of a contagious disease for which there is a recommended immunization, unimmunized children will be prohibited from attending school as recommended by the Public Health Department. **If you are uncertain how the sickness policy applies to you or your child, please consult with your teacher before you come to school.**

The sickness policy applies equally to children, parents in the classroom and staff. **Be sure to inform the school if you or your child will be absent by calling the 24-hour answering machine (831-420-0739).**