

# Greenwich Public Schools

## SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES

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### GUIDELINES FOR CHILDHOOD ILLNESS

*The following guidelines are to help us provide a healthy environment for your child in school.*

please **keep your child home** when he/she has:

- cold symptoms with fever, malaise, cough, discolored nasal drainage
- diarrhea &/or vomiting
- eye drainage (profuse &/or thick)
- fever (for any reason)
- rash (undiagnosed – not seen by M.D.)
- sore throat (if cultured, until 24 hr result is back & negative)
- sore throat with positive culture - 24hr after antibiotics started
- when your child feels too sick to take part in the school day

Your **child may return** to school when:

- temperature is normal for 24 hrs after stopping Tylenol or Ibuprofen
- diarrhea &/or vomiting has stopped for 24 hrs
- rash has been seen by M.D. (must bring note to school nurse)

Children are generally non-infectious:

- 24 hrs after starting antibiotics
- after all chicken pox lesions are scabbed (usually 1 week)
- 1 week after the onset of any communicable disease

#### **Please Note:**

- **Children unable to participate in PE class &/or recess because of injury (wearing cast, splint, or using crutches) or illness, must bring a note to the nurse from the child's M.D. indicating restrictions and the duration of restrictions.**
- **Children who have been treated for an injury, have had surgery, or have been hospitalized even overnight must bring a note to the nurse from the child's M.D. stating they may return to school and indicating any restrictions.**

*Greenwich school district and the public health school nurses reserve the right to send home any student who displays signs of ill health or injury that, in the nurse's judgment, may jeopardize the general welfare of the student &/or the class.*

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