

NOTES FROM THE NURSE

The following information is provided to inform you of the various policies and procedures in the Little Silver Schools. We hope this information is helpful. Should you have any questions, please contact the health office at your child's school.

ABSENCES

Please call the school if your child is absent. You may leave a message at any time via voice mail for the nurse in your child's school. Please give the reason for your child's absence.

****Any Communicable Disease should be reported to the nurse's office. (i.e. Strep, flu, COVID, RSV, pink eye, impetigo, Coxsackie, Fifth's disease, lice, bronchitis, ringworm, pinworm)**

MEDICATION

NO medication may be given to your child without a signed order from a physician and signed parental consent. "Medication in School" form is to be filled out and sent to the school nurse. All medication must be brought in to and from school by the parents, not the student. Only the school nurse or the parent is permitted to administer medication to the student.

COLDS

The common cold presents the most frequent problem since it is so readily transmitted to others. A child with a bad cold (e.g. persistent coughing and/or sneezing, increased or unusual discharge) should remain home even if no fever is present.

FEVER

A child with a temperature of 100 degrees or higher should not be sent to school. If your child has a temperature of 100 degrees or higher at school, he or she will be sent home. Once your student has been fever-free (without medication) for 24 hours, they are free to return.

VOMITING and DIARRHEA

Children with vomiting or diarrhea should be kept home and should only return to school after being symptom-free for 24 hours. If your child has diarrhea or vomiting at school, he or she will be sent home.

STREP THROAT

If a child is positive for strep throat, please notify the school nurse. Students may return to school once on antibiotics for 24 hours and fever free for 24 hours.

RASHES

Children with undiagnosed or possibly contagious rashes will be sent home from school and must be cleared by a physician to return.

CHICKEN POX

The student may return to school as soon as all sores are dry and scabbed.

HERPES SIMPLEX (Cold Sores)

The student may attend school during an active case if the student has the ability and practices personal hygiene precautions.

IMPETIGO

The student may attend school if treatment is verified and lesions are covered and dry. Your child needs to be on 24 hours of antibiotic therapy prior to returning to school.

RINGWORM

The student may attend school if treatment is verified and the area is covered.

CONJUNCTIVITIS (Pink Eye)

The student may return to school after being on antibiotic therapy for at least 24 hours, and there is no more drainage from the eye.

HEAD LICE

Procedure for Handling Lice in School

1. A student with head lice will be excluded from school until treatment with an anti-lice shampoo has been used, all nits are removed from the hair, and the student is lice free. The parent/guardian will be instructed on the appropriate treatment of head lice.
2. Reentry to school requires that the child be brought back to the school nurse's office after treatment. The child will be readmitted after the school nurse has determined that the child has received adequate treatment and is totally lice/nit free.