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Keeping Sick Students Home and When to Return

Symptoms of Illness	The student May Return After...
	The list below tells the shortest time to stay home. A student may need to stay home longer for some illnesses.
Fever: Temperature of 100.0 F or greater.	Fever free for 24 hrs WITHOUT taking fever-reducing medications
Cough: A new or worsening cough, or a new or worsening difficulty breathing.	Symptoms improving for 24 hrs. (no cough or cough is well controlled). If diagnosed with pertussis (whooping cough), the student MUST take 5 days of prescribed antibiotics before returning.
Headache: With stiff neck or fever	Symptom free OR with orders from doctor to school nurse. <i>Follow fever instructions if fever is present.</i>
Diarrhea: 3 loose or watery stools in a day OR not able to control bowel movements.	Symptom free for 24 hours OR with orders from doctor to school nurse.
Vomiting: One or more episodes that is unexplained	Symptom free for 24 hours OR with orders from doctor to school nurse.
Skin Rash OR open sores	Symptom Free Rash is gone OR sores are dry or can be completely covered by bandage OR with orders from doctor to school nurse.
Red eyes with eye discharge: yellow, brown or green drainage from eyes	Symptom Free Redness and discharge are gone OR with orders from doctor to school nurse.
Jaundice: New yellow color in eyes or skin	After the school has orders From the doctor or local public health authority to school nurse.
Acting differently without reason: Unusually sleepy, grumpy, or confused	Symptom Free Return to normal behavior OR with orders from doctor to school nurse.
Major health event: An illness lasting 2 or more weeks OR a hospital stay	After the school has orders From the doctor to school nurse
Student's health condition requires more care than school staff can safely provide	After measures are in place for the student's safe return.

All policy guidance regarding injury/illness occurring during school is provided by OSPI, the Washington State Department of Health, and CDC recommendations available on their respective websites.