

GUIDELINES FOR STUDENT ILLNESSES

The Friendship Academy follows the Allegheny County Health Department Guidelines

When Should You Keep Your Child At Home?

Your child is to remain at home if they have **any** of the following symptoms:

- Oral temperature above 100 degrees
- Nausea/vomiting
- Diarrhea/loose stool
- Excessive nasal drainage
- Unusually irritable, restless or tired/sleepless night
- Persistent cough
- Sore throat
- Suspected pink eye, scabies, lice, ringworm, impetigo, chicken pox, skin rashes.

Student **MUST** be seen by a doctor for any skin condition above. Send in a note from doctor stating that your child is being treated and may to return to school.

Guidelines For When Your Child Can Return To School After An Illness:

Condition	Minimum Days from Start of Illness
Vomiting	After Child has kept food down for 24 hours
Diarrhea	24 hours after last diarrhea
Fever	Once the temperature is normal for 24 hours WITHOUT Tylenol, ibuprofen, etc. use
Strep Throat	24 hours after treatment begins, send note from doctor
Pinkeye, Lice, Scabies, Ringworm	24 hours after treatment begins, send note from doctor
Chicken Pox	6-7 days or until all blisters are dry, send note from doctor
Flu, COVID, RSV, other Respiratory Virus	5 days after positive test result or symptom onset recommended. Must be fever free for at least 24 hours WITHOUT Tylenol, ibuprofen, etc. use. Improvement in symptoms, no difficulty breathing or persistent coughing. Recommended mask use until 10 days have passed. consult with health office and/or doctor prior to return

If you child becomes sick at school, you will be contacted to come pick up your child.

It is **MANDATORY** that you have designated a family member or friend who is available to pick up your child if you are unable to.

HOSPITALIZATION POLICY

If your child stayed overnight in the hospital for ANY reason, they must remain at home for 24 hours after discharge before returning to school.

The following information is required in order to return to school:

- Note from the doctor stating what date the student may return
- List of restrictions or no restrictions (i.e. gym, therapies, etc.)
- Hospital discharge papers / medication orders

All paperwork can be faxed to the nurse's office (412-365-3916)