



Illness Policy

Barnyard Academy is committed to keeping students as healthy and safe as possible. In an effort to do so, please carefully review our illness policy.

Children do become ill and often at unpredictable and inconvenient times. Many illnesses are contagious and it is important that we do not unnecessarily expose the rest of the class if possible.

We have a responsibility to protect your child, the other children that attend our school, as well as the staff.

Based on experience, there is a lot of grey area that surfaces when a child is feeling less than their best. We ask that every parent is overly conservative when thinking about whether or not to send their child to school.

Your child may wake one day and not feel well but not meet any of our exclusionary symptoms. If you have any doubt it is probably best to keep them home. We are living in unprecedented times as we continue to battle the spread of Covid-19 and diligence is of utmost importance.







Below you will find a list of questions to ask that many help with your decision:

- Does your child have a cough?
- Does your child have a sore throat?
- Excessive and/or discolored nasal discharge?
- Is s/he unusually lethargic or tired?
- Is s/he well enough to participate in daily activities?
- Is s/he well enough to play outside?
- Is s/he noticeably uncomfortable or irritable?
- Is s/he difficult to console?

Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns and reference the chart below for a list of symptoms to look out for when evaluating your child. We appreciate your partnership in helping keep one another as healthy as possible.

Sick Kids:

When to Stay Home from School

FEVER A temperature of 100° or higher	COUGHING THAT WON'T STOP Or other problems with breathing	DIARRHEA OR VOMITING Within the past 24 hours	RASH Body rash with itching and/or fever	HEAD LICE Itchy head, active head lice	EYE INFECTION Eye is red and oozing a yellow or green discharge
					
When to Return to School					
Fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medication such as ibuprofen or acetaminophen	Cough is mild and infrequent and evaluated by doctor if needed	Free from diarrhea and/or vomiting for at least 24 hours and evaluated by doctor if needed	Free from rash, itching or fever and evaluated by doctor if needed	After first head lice treatment	24 hours after starting antibiotic eye drops or ointment

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Strep Throat – Children may return to school 24 hours after starting antibiotic treatment.

Nasal Discharge – Children should stay home if they have a constant runny nose with green/yellow tint. They may return to school once they have minimal green/yellow or clear discharge.