



Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District

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ILLNESS EXCLUSION PROTOCOL

The Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District Health Services Department is a resource for the health needs of the students in the district. School Nurses are uniquely qualified in preventive health, health assessments and referral procedures for students within the school setting. Their position is to strengthen and facilitate the educational process by improving and protecting the health status of children.

Your child will enjoy school and be better able to learn if he/she is well. It is important to protect the health of students from risk posed by infectious diseases that are transmitted within the school setting. Some serious health conditions can cause danger to the safety and health of students.

A child will be sent home if he/she is vomiting, has a fever or is believed to be suffering from a recognized contagious or infectious disease. The child shall not be permitted to return until school authorities are satisfied that the student is no longer contagious or infectious. (California Education Code 4821-4824, 49451)

Center for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines recommend that a student stay home for 24 hours after the fever has subsided. This means that a student must be fever free without the use of fever reducing medications for 24 hours before they can return to school. A temperature of 100 degrees orally or 99 degrees axillary is considered a fever and a student will be sent home.

Please keep your child home if he/she has any of the following:

- If your child has had a fever of 100 degrees or higher within the past 24 hours
- A runny nose when mucous is thick and green or yellow when accompanied by a fever
- A rash of unknown origin or contagious rash requires a certificate from a physician stating that a student may return to school
- Diarrhea
- Vomiting within the previous 24 hours (Alameda County Public Health)
- Severe headache
- Conjunctivitis- red, irritated or burning eyes with watery or mucous thickened drainage
- Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District has a no nit/no lice policy. Please keep your child home until nit and lice free. Students must be cleared through the office prior to returning to class after being treated for lice.

It is our goal to follow safe health practices at school in compliance with California Education Code, Alameda County Public Health Department and Center for Disease Control to ensure optimal health for all students and staff. Please contact your school nurse with any questions.