

Contagious Disease and Illness Criteria

If your child has a contagious disease, the exclusion from school criteria must be followed:

In case of fever:

- *Following any fever over 100 degrees, a child should remain at home until he/she has been fever free for at least 24 hours without the use of over-the-counter products (i.e. Motrin, Tylenol-never give a child aspirin). Note that during the early morning hours, a child's temperature will often register at normal, whereas later in the day it may rise again. This is one reason why a child needs a period of at least 24 hours without an elevated temperature before returning to school.*

In case of vomiting or diarrhea:

- *Children who have been suffering from vomiting and/or diarrhea need a period of time to regain strength before returning to school. Children should be kept at home for a minimum of 24 hours after the last bout of vomiting and/or diarrhea.*

In case of Strep Throat:

- *Children should remain at home for 24 hours after the start of antibiotic therapy. If they return before being on antibiotics for 24 hours, they may still be contagious to others.*