



**EXCLUSION POLICY FOR STUDENTS
WITH SPECIFIC CONTAGIOUS DISEASES
(KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & ENVIRONMENT)**

CONDITIONS FOR EXCLUSION FROM SCHOOL	CONDITIONS FOR RETURNING TO SCHOOL
1. Oral temperature of 99.6 degrees or above with headache, sore throat, nausea, coughing/sneezing or other symptoms.	1. Free of fever for 24 hours. *without the use of fever reducing medications*
2. Oral temperature of 100.4 or above will be sent home even when there are no other symptoms.	2. Free of fever for 24 hours. *without the use of fever reducing medications*
3. Severe cough where student gets red or blue in the face or makes high-pitched "croupy" or "whooping" sounds after coughing.	3. Symptom free or physician's written approval to return to school.
4. Diarrhea, maximum of two watery stools in a four hour period.	4. Free of diarrhea for 24 hours. *without the use of medications*
5. Vomiting.	5. Free of vomiting for 24 hours. *without the use of medications*
6. CONJUNCTIVITIS, BACTERIAL (Pink-eye). Inflammation of the conjunctiva in one or both of the eyes, swelling of the eyelids and/or purulent discharge.	6. Excluded from school until 24 hours AFTER treatment has been initiated and physician's written approval to return to school.
7. Infected areas of the skin with crust, yellow, dry area or rash, e.g. impetigo, ringworm, etc.	7. Excluded from school until 24 hours AFTER treatment has been initiated and physician's written approval to return to school.
8. Severe itching of the body or scalp or constant scratching of the scalp, e.g. head lice or scabies.	8. After treatment has been initiated, including free of live lice.
9. Fainting or seizures (other than pre-existing conditions) or general signs of listlessness, weakness, drowsiness, flushed face, headache, or stiff neck.	9. Symptom free or physician's written approval to return.

It is unreasonable and inappropriate for staff to attempt to determine which illnesses and symptoms may be serious. The child's parents or legal guardians, with the help of their child's health care provider, are responsible for these decisions. Parents/Guardians are requested to report the physician's diagnosis to the school. As required by law nursing services will report communicable diseases to the Kansas Department of Health and Environment and Shawnee County Health Agency.

If you have questions please feel free to contact:

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