



Lynchburg City Schools Student Illness Guidelines

Lynchburg City Schools believes that education is key to the success of our students. We are also aware that health and education go hand in hand. We want to make sure that we keep our students and staff as healthy as possible to foster a conducive learning environment for everyone.

This document is a directive for staff and parents to assist in the appropriateness of keeping a child home. The Lynchburg City School Division is aware of the stresses of work life balance when it comes to caring for children. Please use this document as a guideline when determining when a student needs to return to school.

Lice – If a student is found to have lice he/she must receive treatment before returning to school. Upon returning to school, the school nurse/health assistant must check the students head to make sure there are no nits present. Lynchburg City Schools has a no nit policy. (Please see Policy Manual (R7-53.2)).

Strep Throat -If the student has strep throat, please make sure they do not return to school until 24 hours after antibiotics have been started.

Vomiting/Diarrhea - If your student has been vomiting, please make sure they stay at home until they have not been vomiting for 24 hours. If your student has diarrhea please make sure they do not return to school until they have been diarrhea free for 24 hours.

Fever - If your student has a fever of 100.0 or greater please keep them at home until they are fever free for 24 hours.

Pink Eye - If your student has pink eye or bacterial conjunctivitis, please keep them at home for 24 hours after they have received their first dose of antibiotics.

Chicken Pox – Chicken pox lesions must be crusted and dried before a student returns to school.

Ringworm – If your student has ringworm please follow up with your healthcare provider to obtain the appropriate treatment. The area needs to be covered with dry gauze or a bandage to prevent the spread of ringworm to others.

Hand, Foot, Mouth Disease - During the first week students are most contagious; please follow up with your health care provider and the student is not to return until they are deemed no longer contagious by a health care provider