

LIVINGSTON PARISH PUBLIC SCHOOLS

HEALTH RULES

The following guidelines are offered to help you determine when your child should not attend school. Please consider carefully a child's statement of feeling ill.

- **Diarrhea/vomiting:** Students who are vomiting or having diarrhea (2 or more watery stools) will be sent home from school. They will not be allowed to return until they are symptom free for 24 hours from the onset of symptoms.
- **Fever:** Students who have a fever of 100.0 F or higher will be sent home. Students will be readmitted after they have been fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medications. (ex: Tylenol, Motrin, or Advil).
- **Cold/flu:** Students with severe colds, sore throats, cough or "flu like" symptoms will not be allowed to stay at school. They should stay home for rest and proper attention to their symptoms.
- **Pink Eye:** Symptoms of pink eye such as eye drainage, crusty eyelids, redness on the white part of the eyes, swelling, and itching may indicate pink eye, which is a contagious disease. Children with these symptoms will be sent home and should be seen by a doctor for a diagnosis. A doctor's excuse will be required to return to school. If diagnosed with pink eye, the student must be on treatment for at least 24 hours before he can return to school. Some conjunctivitis may require the student remain at home until all symptoms are resolved.
- **Rash/Lesions:** A student with an undiagnosed rash or lesion will not be allowed to stay at school. Skin rashes or lesions will be considered possibly contagious until a student has seen his physician and has a note that it is ok to return to school.
- **Medication:** If your child needs to take medications for chronic conditions at school please contact your **school nurse**. State law requires a *medication administration form* be completed by the Physician and parent. This includes prescription and over-the-counter medications. If a student is prescribed a new medication, they must remain at home for 12 hours after the first dose to be observed for adverse reactions.
 - **Only those persons listed on child's contact card will be allowed to administer medications.**
- **Lice:** A student's hair must be free of nits and bugs in order to remain at school. The student will be readmitted to school after the parent has treated the child and all nits and bugs are removed. After