

THE VINE PRESCHOOL

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**SICK CHILD POLICY**

Parents will be notified to pick up their child within one hour when their child exhibits one or more of the following:

- a temperature/fever of 100.4 degrees or higher;
- Vomiting or diarrhea two consecutive occurrences in one day;
- A communicable disease such as hand, foot and mouth, strep throat, chicken pox, measles etc.
- **Severe coughing** or wheezing;
- **Thick mucus that significantly affects breathing**;
- Difficult or rapid breathing;
- Continuous tearing of the eye(s) with discharge (**with or without redness or pick color**);
- Mouth sores with or without drooling;
- Unusual spots or rashes;
- **Or any other symptoms that cause apparent discomfort to the child.**

Parents are expected to pick up their child within 1 hour of being notified about their child’s illness or have an emergency contact with identification, pick them up within 1 hour of notification.

Both Parents’ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**24-Hour Requirement for Children Returning From Illness**

**Fever**-child may not return until there has been **NO FEVER for 24 hours without any fever-reducer medicine**;

**Prescriptions**-must be administered at home **for a 24-hour period** before child can return to school;

**Diarrhea** (definition: 2 consecutive loose stools) -child cannot return until 24 hours **AFTER** the **LAST OCCURRENCE**;

**Vomiting** (definition: 2 consecutive occurrences of vomiting)-child cannot return until 24 hours **AFTER** the **LAST OCCURRENCE**;

**A doctor’s note\* is required every time your child is seen by a doctor/nurse practitioner, whether it is a sick visit or a well visit.** \_\_\_\_\_

**\*When returning to school from an illness, a doctor’s note alone does not guarantee that your child may return to school.**  
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**Director will make a determination on a case by case basis depending on the severity of the illness and the current overall health of other children who may have also been affected (while maintaining confidentiality).** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Other Important Requirements for Children Returning From Illness (just to name a FEW)**

<b>Illness</b>	<b>Exclusion Requirement</b>
<b>Chicken pox</b>	<b>Cannot return until vesicles become dry*</b>
<b>Conjunctivitis (pink eye)</b>	<b>Exclude while symptomatic (secretions of discharge) OR until 24 hrs of antibiotic treatment has been completed</b>
<b>Measles</b>	<b>10 days after rash has appeared* Health Department Notified</b>
<b>Mumps</b>	<b>14 days after onset of gland swelling* Health Department Notified</b>
<b>Head Lice</b>	<b>Until completely treated with no signs of nits/eggs and/or louse.* Child will be asked to be picked up if a nit/egg or louse is found in their head.</b>
<b>Pertussis (Whooping cough)</b>	<b>10 days after antibiotic treatment has been completed*- Health Department Notified-</b>
<b>Ringworm</b>	<b>Until lesion(s) are seen by a doctor and is properly treated by oral or antibiotic ointment (must be covered while in school until lesion becomes flat and dry)</b>
<b>Streptococcal diseases (impetigo, strep throat, scarlet fever..)</b>	<b>Immediately after first indication of symptoms* AND 48-72 hours after treatment/antibiotic has been given.*</b>
<b>Hand, foot and mouth disease</b>	<b>Immediately after first indication of symptoms* AND 24 hours after lesions have dried*</b>

\*as recommended by the Centers of Disease Control (CDC).

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