

Community Unit School District 303

School Health Services



Absences from School

Report all absences to your child's school. Please provide reason for absences and whether or not your child has a communicable or contagious illness.

Keep a child home from school when:

- Your child has had a fever of 100 degrees F or more within the past 24 hours
- Your child has had vomiting or diarrhea within the past 24 hours
- Your child has an unexplained rash, sore or pink eyes with a discharge
- Your child has a persistent, productive cough

**** Your child should be fever free for 24 hours before returning to school**

**** If a bacterial infection has been diagnosed, your child MUST have 24 hours of antibiotics before returning to school**

**** If your child has not fully recovered or remained home for the recommended length of time, parents may be contacted and asked to take the child home.**

Common Childhood Contagious Diseases

District 303 follows the Kane County Health Department's regulations regarding contagious diseases and exclusion policies. Please notify the school if your child contracts any of the following communicable diseases:

Chicken Pox: Your child must remain out of school not less than 6 days after the appearance of eruptions and until most scabs are gone from the exposed areas of the body.

Scarlet Fever, Strep Infection, Staph Infection, Infectious Mononucleosis, Hepatitis: Your child may be required to present a doctor's statement for re-admittance.

Rashes or Sores: The school may exclude any student evidencing a rash or sore until diagnosed by the family physician. Continued exclusion will be dependent upon the doctor's diagnosis and recommendation.

Conjunctivitis: The school may exclude any student who presents with discharge or pink color in one or both eyes until diagnosed by the family physician. Continued exclusion will be dependent upon the doctor's diagnosis and recommendation, or 24 hours of antibiotic therapy has ensued.

Measles: Your child must remain out of school for a minimum of 7 days after the appearance of a rash.

Mumps: Your child must remain out of school until all swelling has disappeared, usually 9 days.

Extended Absences:

Extended absences of 5 or more days may require that the student present a doctor's statement of re-admittance to the school nurse.

For further information on childhood illnesses and diseases please go to [Health Information](#) on this web site, or contact your child's nurse directly.