



The Neighborhood Early Childhood Center

Sick Policy

We have had a number of sickness-related “forced” absences that have wreaked havoc on parents’ schedules. However, PLEASE be aware that our illness policy is in place for good reason, most importantly being the health and safety of your child and their peers. Many of us completely understand how difficult it is to cancel your own day at work when a child is sick, and we never want you to feel that we are trying to make life harder simply to follow a written rule. However, you would be very upset if we let another child stay at the center when s/he is ill, or if s/he returns too soon after becoming ill.

If your child comes to school not feeling well, s/he is more vulnerable to infection. In the best interest of your child, classmates and staff, please keep your child home. Your child is feeling sick when these symptoms are present:

- A fever of 100.0 degrees or higher

When your child’s temperature has returned to normal (98.6) for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medications, s/he may return to school.

- Vomiting
- Diarrhea (2 Consecutive BM’s with loose stool)

When your child has gone 24 hours without vomiting or having diarrhea, s/he may return to school.



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- Undiagnosed Rash
- Thick, yellowish green discharge from eyes or nose
- Conjunctivitis
- Lice/Nits
- Any condition that would prevent the child from participating in daily activities.

When your child has a case of Respiratory Syncytial Virus which is commonly known as RSV, we are requiring that the child is out of school for a minimum of 8 days due to the severity of this virus. Symptoms can be but are not limited to these listed below.

- Coughing
- Sneezing
- Sore throat
- Fever
- Wheezing, or difficulty breathing

Please, make back up arrangements for your child if s/he is ill. Children benefit most from our program when they are healthy. **Just a reminder that when we call you, you must make arrangements to pick your child up within a half an hour.**

Thank You
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