

## Illness Exclusion Policy

Children should remain at home (or will be sent home) with:

- Ear temperature of 100.4 or higher oral temperature of 100.4 or higher, or underarm temperature of 99.4 or higher, in the past 24 hours.
- **Conjunctivitis** “Pink eye”, redness of the eye and/or lids, usually with secretion of yellowish discharge and crusting.
- **Bronchitis**, which usually begins with hoarseness, cough, and a slight elevation in temperature. The cough may be dry and painful but gradually becomes productive.
- A **rash** you cannot identify which has not been diagnosed.
- **Impetigo**; red pimples which become small vesicles surrounded by a reddened area. When blisters break, the surface is raw and weeping. Look for signs in neck creases, groin, underarms, face, hands, or edge of diaper.
- **Diarrhea** two or more times within 24 hours (watery BM's that look different and are more frequent than usual.)
- **Vomiting** within 24 hours (more than usual “spitting up”).
- **Severe cold** with fever, sneezing and nose drainage
- Some **unknown illness** without obvious symptoms other than unusual paleness, irritability, tiredness, or **lack of interest**.
- A **contagious condition**, including Chicken Pox, Roseola, Strep infection, lice; until the child has been diagnosed by a physician and the established School readmission criteria for individual illnesses has been met.
- Children may be brought into the School if they have a mild cold or allergy, an allergic rash, diaper rash, prickly heat, a loose bowel movement, dietary or medication diarrhea, and **can cope successfully with the program**. Staff should be alerted to anything out of the ordinary.
- Children's exclusion and readmission to the program is subject to review by their receiving classroom staff and / or a Director.
- If your child has a chronic illness or disability, please establish a plan for reasonable admission/exclusion criteria with a Director in advance.

*By helping us to observe good health standards, you will be protecting your child and the others in the School.*