

**Wasatch School District  
Guidelines for Student Exclusion and Readmission**

*NOTE: Fever is defined as a temperature greater than 100° F.*

<b>Condition</b>	<b>Exclusion/Non-Exclusion Criteria</b>	<b>Readmission Criteria</b>
<b>Chicken pox (Varicella)</b>	Exclude <i>until</i> all lesions are scabbed over. * <i>Report to District Nurse</i> * <i>Exclude unvaccinated children until cleared by the Health Department if an outbreak occurs (5 cases in a 2 month period at the same location).</i> * <i>Pregnant women exposed to infected child should contact their health care provider.</i>	Student may return to school when lesions are scabbed over, usually 5-6 days after the start of the rash. * <i>Readmission of exclusions during an outbreak to be determined at the time by the Health Department.</i>
<b>Colds, Sore Throat, or a Persistent Cough</b>	No exclusion required <i>unless</i> child feels unwell or has a fever and/or child is unable to participate in routine school activities due to condition. * <i>Encourage student to cover cough and practice hand hygiene.</i>	No fever for 24 hours without using any fever-reducing medications & symptoms do not interfere with routine school activities.
<b>Cytomegalovirus (CMV)</b>	No exclusion required.	
<b>Diarrhea</b> (An increased number of loose, watery stools compared with the child's normal pattern.)	Exclude <i>if</i> not consistent with child's normal pattern. * <u><i>Emphasize the need for students to practice hand hygiene.</i></u>	No symptoms of viral gastrointestinal illness (nausea, vomiting or diarrhea) for 48 hours.
<b>Fever</b> (with or without accompanying symptoms)	Exclude <i>if</i> temperature over 100° F.	No fever for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medications.
<b>Fifth Disease/ Parvovirus</b>	No exclusion required <i>unless</i> child feels unwell or has a fever. Once the child has a rash, they are no longer contagious. * <i>Pregnant women exposed to infected child should contact their health care provider.</i>	No fever for 24 hours without using any fever-reducing medications.
<b>Food Poisoning</b>	No exclusion required <i>unless</i> child feels unwell, has diarrhea, <i>or</i> has a fever <i>and/or</i> child is unable to participate in routine school activities due to condition. * <i>Contact District Nurse and practice hand hygiene.</i>	Symptom free for 24 hours.

<b>Gastrointestinal Viral Symptoms</b>	Exclude * <i>Contact School Nurse <u>and emphasize the need for students to practice hand hygiene.</u></i>	May be readmitted after nausea, diarrhea and vomiting have resolved for a full 48 hours.
<b>Hand, Foot and Mouth Disease</b>	Exclude <i>if</i> child feels unwell, has open sores, is unable to control their saliva or has a fever.	No fever for 24 hours without using any fever-reducing medications. Sores completely scabbed over.
<b>Head Lice</b>	See policy	See policy
<b>Hepatitis A</b>	Exclude * <i>Contact District Nurse</i>	No jaundice for 7 days and clearance by a medical provider.
<b>Hepatitis B</b>	Exclude <u>if</u> case of Hepatitis B is acute. * <i>Contact District Nurse</i>	May be readmitted after symptoms resolve and a health care provider has cleared the student for return.
<b>HIV</b>	No exclusion required <i>unless</i> child has weeping skin lesions that cannot be covered.	Oozing wound is covered and wound drainage can be contained with a clean, dry bandage taped on all four sides.
<b>Impetigo</b>	Exclude <i>if</i> sore is oozing <i>and</i> cannot be covered. No Exclusion if sore can be covered or is dry & shows signs of healing.	24 hours after antibiotic treatment is started or oozing sore covered.
<b>Influenza (Flu) All Types</b>	Exclude <i>if</i> child feels unwell <i>or</i> has a fever <i>and/or</i> child is unable to participate in routine school activities due to condition. * <i>Exclusion criteria may be modified by public health officials.</i>	No fever for 24 hours without using any fever-reducing medications.
<b>Marked Drowsiness/Malaise</b>	Exclude <i>if</i> child is unable to actively participate in routine school activities.	No symptoms for 24 hours.
<b>Measles</b>	Exclude * <i>Contact District Nurse</i> * <i>Exclude unvaccinated children until cleared by the Health Department</i> <i>Pregnant women exposed to infected child should contact their health care provider.</i>	7 days after onset of the rash and cleared by the Health Department.
<b>Meningitis</b>	Exclude * <i>Contact District Nurse</i>	Student must be cleared by a health care provider.
<b>Mononucleosis (Epstein-Barr virus)</b>	Exclude <i>if</i> child is unable to actively participate in routine school activities.	No symptoms for 24 hours.

<b>MRSA Methicillin Resistant Staphylococcus Aureus</b>	Exclude <i>if</i> wound cannot be covered <i>or</i> wound drainage cannot be contained with a clean, dry bandage taped on all four sides. No Exclusion <i>if</i> wound can be covered or is dry and show signs of healing. <i>*Children with lesions on uncovered skin, or lesions that are draining or oozing, even if covered, may not participate in close contact sports.</i>	24 hours after effective antimicrobial treatment is started, or oozing wound is covered and wound drainage can be contained with a clean, dry bandage taped on all four sides.
<b>Mumps</b>	Exclude <i>*Contact District Nurse</i> <i>*Exclude unvaccinated children until cleared by the Health Department</i>	9 days after onset of parotid gland swelling and cleared by the Health Department.
<b>Pertussis (Whooping Cough)</b>	Exclude <i>*Contact District Nurse</i> <i>*Exclude unvaccinated children as directed by Health Department.</i>	5 days after appropriate antibiotic treatment <u>or 21 days after the onset of symptoms.</u>
<b>Pink Eye/ Conjunctivitis</b>  <b>-Purulent Conjunctivitis</b>  <b>-Non-Purulent Conjunctivitis</b>	Exclude: Purulent Conjunctivitis defined as pink or red eye with white or yellow eye discharge, often with matted eyelids after sleep and eye pain or redness of the eyelids or skin surrounding the eye.  Non-Exclusion: Non-purulent Conjunctivitis defined as pink eye with a clear, watery eye discharge without fever, eye pain or eyelid redness.  <i>*Child should be reminded to avoid touching eyes and to wash hands often.</i>	Purulent: 24 hours after treatment is started or until cleared by a health care provider to return to school.  Non-Purulent: Does not require exclusion.
<b>Pinworms</b>	No exclusion required.	
<b>Rash with a fever</b>	Exclude following the fever guidelines above. Exclude for any new, undiagnosed rash.	After a health care professional has determined that the illness is not a communicable disease.
<b>Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV)</b>	No exclusion required <i>unless</i> child is in respiratory distress, feels unwell or has a fever and/or child is unable to participate in routine school activities due to condition.	No fever for 24 hours without using any fever-reducing medications & symptoms do not interfere with routine school activities.
<b>Ringworm</b>	Exclude at end of school day. While at school, rash needs to be covered.	After treatment has started (over-the-counter or prescription).

<b>Rubella (German Measles)</b>	Exclude * <i>Contact District Nurse</i> * <i>Exclude unvaccinated students until cleared by Health Department</i> <i>Pregnant women exposed to the infected child should contact their health care provider.</i>	7 days after the rash appears and cleared by Health Department.
<b>Scabies</b>	Exclude	After diagnosis by a health care provider and 24 hours after the initiation of prescription treatment.
<b>Shingles</b>	Exclude <i>if</i> rash cannot be covered.	When all lesions have scabbed over.
<b>Sores (Any lesion in a weeping stage)</b>	Exclude <i>if</i> unable to be covered and/or diagnosed as infectious.	When lesion can be covered and/or diagnosed as non-infectious.
<b>Strep Throat and Scarlet Fever</b>	Exclude <i>until</i> seen by a health care provider <i>and</i> treatment initiated.	24 hours after antibiotic treatment is started.
<b>Thrush</b>	No exclusion required	
<b>Tuberculosis</b>	Exclude <u>if in the active illness phase.</u> * Contact District Nurse	After 2-4 weeks of treatment prescribed by a health care provider and cleared by the Health Department.
<b>Vomiting/Severe Abdominal Pain</b>	Exclude See Gastrointestinal Viral Symptoms * <i>Severe abdominal pain should be evaluated by a healthcare provider ASAP</i>	Pain: No symptoms for 24 hours.  Vomiting: See Gastrointestinal Viral Symptoms
<b>Warts (Human Papilloma Virus)</b>	No exclusion required	

## **Exclusions of Students Who Are Under Exemption and Conditionally Enrolled Status**

The following students will be excluded if there is good cause to believe there is an active risk of exposure while at school to, or a belief that there was a recent exposure to, a vaccine preventable disease as deemed by the District Health Office and Health Department:

- Students who have claimed an exemption to any or all vaccines; or
- Students who are conditionally enrolled based on vaccinations.

These students may not return to school until the School Health Office and Health Department are satisfied that the student is no longer at risk of contracting or transmitting the vaccine-preventable disease.

## **Reportable Diseases, Emergency Illnesses, and Health Conditions**

Report to District Nurse or local health official any unusual or increased occurrence of any illness that may indicate an outbreak, epidemic, or bioterrorism event. Reportable emergency illnesses or health conditions of public concern include the following:

- Respiratory illness (upper and lower respiratory tract infections, difficulty breathing and Adult Respiratory Distress Syndrome).
- Gastrointestinal illness (vomiting, diarrhea, abdominal pain)
- Influenza-like symptoms
- Neurologic symptoms (meningitis, encephalitis, or unexplained acute encephalopathy or delirium)
- Rash illness
- Hemorrhagic illness
- Botulism-like syndrome
- Lymphadenitis
- Sepsis or unexplained shock
- Febrile illness
- Nontraumatic coma or sudden death

\*Refer to R386-702-3 for additional Reportable Diseases, Emergency Illnesses, and Health Conditions.