

Health Information from your WASD Health Department

2023-24 School Year



It is the Waupun Area School District's goal to keep every student healthy, safe and ready to learn. To prevent other students from getting ill, please remember to keep your child home if they are sick.

Here are a few guidelines on when to keep your child home from school:

FEVER: Depending on how your child feels he/she may attend school with a temperature less than 99.5 degrees F. A temp of 100.0 degrees F or higher a student will need to stay home. A student should be without a fever for 24 hours (without fever reducing medication, i.e., acetaminophen, ibuprofen) before returning to school.

CONTAGIOUS DISEASE: Strep throat, impetigo, bacterial pink eye, may return after 12 hours of treatment with antibiotics for Strep Throat and 24 hours for Pink Eye.

COVID: If you are positive and you have symptoms including a fever/diarrhea/vomiting, stay home until your fever resolves itself without fever reducing medication for 24 hours and/or 24 hours from the last episode of diarrhea and/or vomiting. If your symptoms have improved and you are feeling better, you may return to school with a mask for 5 days post positive test date.

STOMACH ACHE, VOMITING, DIARRHEA: A child with vomiting and/or diarrhea should be kept at home until symptoms have resolved for 24 hours and the child is able to keep in food and liquids.

INFECTION AND ON ANTIBIOTICS: (i.e. respiratory infection) Children are no longer considered contagious after 12 hours of antibiotics. Depending on how your child feels, they may return to school. Please consult with your healthcare provider.

RASH: If your child has an unusual rash or it is associated with a fever, keep your child home until you have discussed the rash with your healthcare provider.

CHICKEN POX: Your child may return to school 5-7 days after onset of rash, with all sores dry and scabbed over.

NUISANCE DISEASES: For example, head lice, scabies, ringworm, etc. must be treated before returning to school. There is a treatment verification form that needs to be signed for head lice prior to your student returning to school.