

Grand Saline ISD Health Guidelines

Bringing a child to school with the below symptoms puts other children and school staff members at risk of becoming ill. This information is offered so that we may improve the general health of all members of our school community.

Remember that these are guidelines only. GSISD also follows guidelines for exclusion and readmission as recommended by the Texas Department of State Health Services for communicable diseases for schools in the state of Texas.

Diagnosed Contagious Illness : Students may return to class 24 hours after starting an antibiotic or as otherwise directed by their physician.

Diarrhea : A child who experiences 2 or more watery stools in a 24 hour period, especially if combined with poor appearance or nausea should remain home.

Ear Infections without Fever : A child does NOT need to be excluded from school, but should be evaluated by your healthcare provider.

Eyes : If your child exhibits any mucus or pus draining from the eye, this may be a sign of conjunctivitis (pink eye), a contagious illness. Please keep your child at home and see your healthcare provider. He/She may return to school after they have been on antibiotics for 24 hours and are approved by a HCW (healthcare worker) to do so.

Fever : Oral temperature equal to or higher than 100.0 degrees (before taking medication such as Tylenol or Advil). Please keep your child at home until they are fever free for 24 hours WITHOUT medicine.

Nasal Discharge and/or Chronic Cough : A child exhibiting these symptoms should be seen by your healthcare provider. These conditions may be contagious and require treatment.

Rash : If your child exhibits a body rash, especially with fever or itching, he/she should remain at home and be assessed by your healthcare provider. Heat rashes and allergic reactions are not contagious. These children may attend school.

Sore Throat : A child with a sore throat, fever and/or swollen glands should remain home. Contact your

healthcare provider.

Symptoms of a Contagious Illness : Students exhibiting symptoms of a contagious illness should be evaluated by your physician. They may return to school as directed by the physician.

Vomiting : A child who has vomited 2 or more times in a 24 hour period should remain at home.

[Texas Department of Health Communicable Disease Chart](#)