

## **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

### **What happens if my child develops...**

- **An illness (vomiting, fever, diarrhea, or cough)?**

1. Student should be **fever free** without medication for 24 hours before returning to school.
2. Students should be free of **continuous coughing**.
3. Student should remain at home until 24 hours after the last episode of **vomiting or diarrhea**.

- **A rash?**

There are many types of rashes that are very contagious. Therefore, your child's rash:

1. The rash must be **diagnosed** by a physician or a nurse practitioner, AND
2. A **copy of the diagnosis** must be returned with your child upon return to school.

- **Chicken Pox?**

Please alert the school nurse if your child has chicken pox.

Your child may return to school when the last pox is scabbed over, and your child feels well.

- **Head Lice?**

LPS District has a "No Nit" policy regarding head lice. This means that your child will not be allowed to return to school until they are completely free of lice and nits. (Nits are the eggs of the lice.)

Before readmission to school:

1. Your child must be accompanied to the nurse by a parent/guardian.
2. Your child must be examined by the school nurse and be **nit-free**.
3. Your child will not be allowed to ride the bus until cleared by the school nurse.
4. The child will be **rechecked** in approximately 7-10 days for a 1 month period

to ensure that they remain nit-free.

5. If head lice are found while student is at school, the student will be sent home.

- **Pink Eye (Conjunctivitis)?**

Pink Eye (Conjunctivitis) is highly contagious with complaints of an eye/eyes burning. It can produce a whitish discharge or eyes are stuck shut after sleeping. Minor cases (viral) and severe cases (bacterial) both require prescription eye drops.

Students must be **symptom-free** to return to school.

- **Strep Throat?**

To return to school after being diagnosed with Strep Throat:

1. Student should be on **antibiotics** for 24 hours
2. Student should be **fever-free** and rested.