

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The Cadott Community Schools requests your support in helping us keep all students safe and healthy while at school. Respiratory viruses such as COVID-19, influenza, Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV), and other common cold viruses can spread quickly in our community. Though it is unnecessary to keep your student out of school for every symptom or illness, it is important to make a careful decision. Recognize when your student's symptoms may interfere with their ability to learn, and if so, keep them home.

Please utilize the below graphic should you question whether or not your student should attend school.

Guidelines for Keeping Sick Children Home from School

Please keep me home if...

I have a fever	I am vomiting	I have diarrhea	I have a rash	I am congested and/or have thick, constant runny nose	I have been diagnosed with strep throat or scarlet fever	I am just not feeling very good
Temperature of 100.4 F and sore throat, rash, vomiting, diarrhea, earache, or not feeling well	Two or more times in 24 hours	Three or more watery stools in 24 hours	Body rash with itching or fever	Uncomfortable stuffed up feeling and/or constant runny nose	Red, sore throat with patches on tonsils, swollen glands, fever and/or rash	Unusually tired and/or pale, lack of appetite, confused and/or cranky

To return to school, students must be fever free for 24 hours without the use of medication (Tylenol, Motrin, Advil) and having general improvement in symptoms. If they have a diagnosis, such as strep throat, they need to be on treatment for 24 hours prior to returning to school.

We would like to take a moment to remind families of some additional steps to take to ensure that our school community stays safe and healthy this holiday season:

- If you're sick, stay home, especially if you test positive or have symptoms of COVID-19, flu, or other illnesses. This helps protect others, especially those who are most vulnerable.
- Consider wearing a well-fitting mask or respirator when you are inside public places around others.
- Frequently wash your hands with soap and water to help prevent the spread of all respiratory illnesses.
- Cover coughs and sneezes to avoid spreading germs.

It is our hope that this letter adds clarity regarding the circumstances when it is inappropriate to send your student to school. Please note, if your child becomes ill at school and the teacher or school nurse feel the child is too sick to benefit from school or is contagious to other children, you will be called to pick them up from school. Ensure that your contact information is up to date.

Thank you for partnering with us to keep our community healthy!

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