

CCEP Illness Policy

Revised 2.3.10

The classroom staff will notify the director each time a child becomes ill while in attendance. When children are found to be ill at school, their parents will be called, and they will be cared for in the director's office or assistant director's office until they are picked up. When a parent cannot be reached, the staff will call emergency contacts. Upon pickup, the parent will be given a completed Illness Notification form describing the nature of the illness and policies indicating when the child may return to school. This form is to be accompanied with a verbal explanation of the child's condition while at school.

Parents may not bring a sick child to school. A child who develops any of the following symptoms at school must be isolated and the parent(s) notified and asked to pick up the child within the hour:

- Fever of 99.4° F or higher taken temporally
- Diarrhea (two or more than one abnormally loose stool per day)
- Vomiting/Nausea
- Severe cough
- Severe rashes
- Stiff neck and headache with one or more of the symptoms listed above
- Difficulty breathing or wheezing
- Complaints of severe pain
- Pink eye/conjunctivitis (as indicated by red eyes, watery eyes, and mucus in eyes)
- Unable to participate in normal classroom/playground activities with typical behavior

When medication is given to ease symptoms (such as fever or upset stomach) the child is still contagious and may not be at school.

Your child may be readmitted to CCEP when some or all of the conditions below are met, depending on the illness:

- Child is visibly free from communicable disease/illness, fever free for 24 hours without the aid of medication and free of vomiting/diarrhea for 24 hours while on a normal diet.
- A physician's note is given, stating that the child is free from communicable disease and that returning poses no risk to the child himself/herself or to others.
- Child has received at least 24 hours dosage of prescribed antibiotic/medication and is visibly free from symptoms of communicable disease/illness.
- He/she exhibits normal behavior and activity level, as determined by classroom teachers.

Lice

In the event of a lice outbreak, parents are notified immediately. The child is sent home, treated, and then rechecked before they are allowed to return to school. If the parents find an outbreak at home, please notify the school as soon as possible so we can check for it.

Immunizations

We require that all immunization records be turned in at the time of enrollment and be kept up to date thereafter. Each time your child is immunized, you need to update your school records. State law mandates that any child who does not have current immunizations be excluded from the school until they are up to date.

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Medication

CCEP teachers and administrators can only administer medication to a child with written permission, with the medication in its original container, describing the dosage and frequency. Medication and permission need to be sent on a daily basis. No medication will be provided by CCEP. When a student requires the administration of medication, it remains locked and inaccessible to the students. In addition, all expiration dates are checked prior to dispensing medication.

Health Inspections

To preserve the health and wellness of the entire preschool population, teachers will make daily informal visual inspections of every child as they enter the classroom. In particular, teachers will look for physical signs of child abuse, illness, and body infestations and take necessary standard precautions based on the individual observations.

Notifications

CCEP will notify all parents in a timely manner when there is an outbreak of a communicable disease in the school.

I have thoroughly read CCEP's revised illness policy, and will strictly adhere to it to maintain the health and wellness of our school population.

Parent Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Parent Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Child's Name: _____ **Teacher:** _____