



Ill Child Policy

An ill child will not be able to perform well in school and may spread illness to others. If your child is sick, please keep them home from school.

Your child must be fever free 48 hours without medication before returning to school. They must be free of all other symptoms for 24 hours without medication before returning to school.

Prairie's guidelines state that your child may not enter school if they have:

- Fever in the past 48 hours of 100.3°.
- Vomiting in the past 24 hours.
- Diarrhea 3+ times in the past 24 hours.
- Rash covering significant areas of the body (stomach or legs) or that is widespread.
- A bad cold, with a runny nose (blowing/requiring wiping nose every 1-2 hours) or frequent coughing (coughs throughout the day), especially if it kept them awake the night before.
- Strep throat: must start taking antibiotics 24 hours prior to returning.
- Pinkeye: must start taking antibiotics 24 hours prior to returning (4 doses).

If your child becomes ill at school and the Health Office determines they cannot benefit from academic instruction or may be contagious to others, you will be asked to pick them up immediately. Please review your [PowerSchool](#) contact information for this purpose and in case of an emergency.

These guidelines are meant to serve the best interests of all students and staff. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact [Julianne Smith](#), School Nurse, at (262) 752-2660.