

Policies Regarding Health

In our center, we have very specific guidelines for parents to reference regarding health. These policies are intended to be very clear on what health issues make it necessary for your child to be kept out of school. It is our hope that these policies address all concerns from parents and staff. Administered correctly and fairly, they should protect the best interest of all of our children, well and ill, as well as our staff. In order to keep the children healthy and maintain a safe environment, we ask for your help with the following guidelines:

- Please do not send an ill child to school. Small children are prone to infection because their immune systems are not fully developed. One sick child places all other children at risk.
- A child with a fever of 100.4 degrees will be sent home. We ask that the child be kept out of school until he/she has been fever free for 24 hrs without fever relieving medicine.
- A child showing signs of the following symptoms will be sent home:
 - o Diarrhea or vomiting (twice in 24 hrs)
 - o Continuous runny noses with a yellow or green color
 - o Any suspicious rash that has not been diagnosed by a physician
 - o Undiagnosed and untreated pink, swollen, matted or runny eyes
- A child may return to school when any of the following occur:
 - o Temperature has been normal for 24 hrs without medication
 - o Active signs of illness (diarrhea or vomiting) have been gone for 24 hrs
 - o Provide a physician's written release stating the child may return to school, and is not contagious
- A child that is taking prescription medications <u>MUST</u> have label containing child's name and administration instructions.
- Over-the-counter medication <u>MUST</u> have a written release from the physician. The release must state child's name, medication, how often, the dosage, and indication for administration.
- ALL medications must have a medical form filled out by the parent and be in its original container; expired medicines will be returned to parents for disposal.
- Parent must keep the child current on immunizations as per the Texas Department of Health and a copy must be supplied to the center.

Medicine is given at 11am & 3pm daily. To ensure your child is included, please coordinate your child's morning dose with these dosage times.

I have read and fully understand the policies regarding health at Kids R Kids #11.

Parent/ Guardian Signature: Date:	