

HEALTH POLICY



Please review the following Sick Child/Health Policy and strictly adhere to the guidelines presented here. If your child feels sick, please keep them home.

For the health and safety of all of our children, symptoms that would exclude a child from care include:

- Fever of more than 100°.
- Unexplained rash or sores. (children may return to school with a written notice from the Doctor)
- Discharge from eyes, ears or nose. (children may return to school with a written notice from the Doctor)
- Vomiting or Diarrhea.
- Productive cough or dry cough lasting more than one week without doctor attention.
- Any illness or injury that keeps a child from participating in regular activity.
- Two or more COVID-related symptoms (muscle aches, sore throat, fatigue, headache, cough, runny nose, shortness of breath, fever/chills, loss of taste/smell, diarrhea, nausea, vomiting)

From time-to-time our children are unavoidably exposed to contagious illness. If that happens, we alert parents through Health Notices. These notices outline school policy and individual prevention measures with regard to specific illnesses and will be posted in the office, outside the classroom and through Procure Connect. Please note that tuition will not be prorated or refunded for absence or closure related to illness.

Important Note: Given concerns of COVID-19 exposure, we will err on the side of caution. Children may not return to school until they have been FEVER-FREE for at least 24 hours. Children with a fever and/or two or more COVID-related symptoms must also provide a doctor's note or a negative COVID test in order to return to school. If children or staff members test positive for COVID they must remain under home isolation/quarantine for a minimum of 5 days. Children or staff members may return to school with correct and consistent use of mask for an additional 5 days OR with proof of a negative COVID test. Following a reported positive case/classroom exposure, children and teachers may return to class as long as they are symptom-free. If classmates present with COVID-related symptoms they will be required to provide negative COVID test or doctor's note to return to class.

Disclaimer: The decision to send your child to school is highly personal and should be made by each family based on the child's present health, the risk of infection, and the presence of any vulnerable individuals within their household. Sending your child to school is voluntary. Little Big Minds will take appropriate precautions whenever possible but by sending your child to school, you acknowledge the risks and agree to hold harmless, Little Big Minds, its representatives, or members of its community.