



## Heights Cooperative Preschool Illness Policy

The teacher shall observe each child daily before the child enters the classroom to determine if the child is free from communicable diseases. A child with any of the following signs or symptoms of illness shall not be permitted to enter the classroom:

1. Temperature of 100° Fahrenheit - in combination with any other signs of illness;
2. Untreated skin patches, unusual spots or rashes;
3. Diarrhea (more than 3 abnormally loose stool within a 24 hour period);
4. Evidence of untreated lice, scabies or other parasitic infestation;
5. Severe coughing, causing the child to become red in the face or to make a whooping sound;
6. Difficult or rapid breathing;
7. Yellowish skin or eyes;
8. Redness of the eye, obvious discharge, matted eyelashes, burning, itching;
9. Unusually dark urine or gray or white stool;
10. Stiff neck with an elevated temperature;
11. Sore throat or difficulty swallowing; or
12. Vomiting more than once or when accompanied by other symptoms.

### **Covid-19 Illness Policy**

During the Covid-19 pandemic, children will be excluded if they exhibit a temperature of 100; if they have a cough and respiratory symptoms.

**Parents are REQUIRED to inform the Preschool if anyone living in the household tests positive for Covid-19.**

Before returning to School, a child must be symptom free for the amount of time stated on the Child Disease Chart located in the School hallway. After experiencing a fever or vomiting, children must be symptom free for 24 hours before attending School.

A child who does not feel well enough to participate in activities may not attend class.

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## Teacher & Parent Helper Illness Criteria

No teacher or parent helper shall attend the school if they exhibit signs of communicable disease. The Director reserves the right to request a physician's note for a teacher or parent to return to the school.

## In-School Illness

Any child who becomes ill during school hours and who shows signs of a communicable disease shall be isolated immediately in a quiet part of the classroom away from other children, but within sight or hearing of an adult. No child is ever to be left alone or unsupervised. The guardian or Designated Emergency Person will be telephoned for immediate pickup of a sick child.

## Communication of Illnesses

Parents of the children in the school will be notified of EXPOSURE TO COMMUNICABLE DISEASE by phone or in writing. A Health Note will be sent home with each child which explains the contagious disease, states symptoms and incubation periods, and offers basic health instructions.