

Dear Parents,

The Lee-Scott Nurse's Office is in full swing, and I am truly enjoying meeting your sweet children. If your children need medications to be given at school, please let me know, so that I can have those ready. I cannot give medications unless permission is given by parents and physicians.

Our goal is to keep your children in class. Attendance in class is very important. However, there will be times when your child is too ill to attend. The following symptoms will help you determine when your child should stay home.

Vomiting or Diarrhea

Your child should stay home for 24 hours after the last episode of vomiting and/or diarrhea **without** medicine.

Fever

Children who have a temperature of 100.5 degrees or higher should not attend school for 24 hours. For example, if your child has a fever of 101 degrees at bedtime, but has a temperature of 97.6 the next morning, your child should stay home.

Please keep your child home for 24 hours after the last high temperature (without giving any fever-reducing medicine such as Tylenol or Motrin). A good rule to remember is simply "24 hours fever-free."

A sick child cannot learn effectively and is unable to participate in classes in a meaningful way. Keeping a sick child home prevents the spread of illness in the school and allows your child opportunity to rest and recover.

Thanks for doing your part to keep all of our children happy and healthy!

Medication Administration

Policies for Administration of Medicine at School:

Prescription Medication must arrive in the *original* pharmacy container. The written instructions on the container for dosages and times will be followed. Send in medication along with LSA Medication Authorization form signed by physician and parent.

If your child has specific health concerns such as asthma, allergies, seizures, or diabetes, there may be other forms to fill out.

Over-the-counter medications must be in the original container. Dosage administered will not exceed instructions on the label. Send in medication along with the LSA Medication Authorization form signed by a parent.

All forms can be found under "Quicklinks" on the LSA website.

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