# CATALINA FOOTHILLS SCHOOL DISTRICT HEALTH SERVICES

## Should you keep child home from school?

#### Chicken Pox

**Yes.** Children with uncomplicated chicken pox may return to school after all blisters have dried, complete scabbed over, and are fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever-controlling medicine.

## Cold, with mild symptoms such as stuffy nosy with clear drainage, sneezing and mild cough

**No.** Your child may attend school if he or she is able to participate in school activities and has been fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever-controlling medicine.

# Conjunctivitis (pink eye)

**Yes.** Students may return to school 24 hours after treatment is started and signs and symptoms are greatly reduced.

## Cough

**Yes.** Keep your child home if the cough is persistent and productive coupled with thick or constant nasal drainage.

#### Diarrhea

**Yes.** Students should be kept home if they have 3 or more watery stools within 24 hours.

### Ear Infection

**No.** Your child may attend school if there is no fever.

#### Fever

**Yes.** Students should stay home if their temperature is 100 degrees or more. Keep students home until fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever-controlling medicine.

# Fifth Disease

**No.** By the time the rash appears, children are no longer contagious and **do not** need to stay home. Keep students home until fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever-controlling medicine.

## **Head Lice**

**Yes.** Students may return to school after their hair has been treated and the Health Assistant/ School Nurse has assessed for evidence of successful treatment.

# **Impetigo**

**Yes.** Students may return to school 24 hours after treatment starts. Sores should be covered when students return to school.

# Ringworm

**Yes.** Students may return 24 hours after treatment starts. Affected areas must be covered when the student returns to school.

## **Strep Throat**

**Yes.** Students may return to school 24 hours after antibiotics have been started and when fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever-controlling medicine.

## **Vomiting**

Yes. Students should be kept home if they have vomited 2 or more times within the past 24 hours.

# Surgery, Major illness, or an Accident

Should your child have surgery, major illness, or an accident, please notify the School Nurse so that we may assist with safe and appropriate care for your student on their return to school.