



Danbury Public Schools Health and Nursing Services Sick Day Guidelines 2025-2026

To aid in minimizing the spread of illness in school, the following are helpful guidelines to follow when your child is sick.

Your child must stay home for:

- A temperature of 100 degrees or higher until they are fever free for 24 hours without fever reducing medication
- An undiagnosed rash
- Vomiting once or more and/or diarrhea more than once in the last 24 hours
- A severe cough or congestion, thick nasal discharge, chills or body aches
- A severe sore throat, and for 12 hours after the start of antibiotics if diagnosed with strep throat
- A severe earache
- Pink eye with discharge until 24 hours after the start of antibiotic eye drops/ointment
- Impetigo diagnosis: your child must remain home until receiving antibiotics for 24 hours and the sores are no longer draining
- Ringworm diagnosis: your child must remain home until 24 hours of anti-fungal treatment. Lesions should be covered while in school.
- Scabies, must be receiving treatment before returning to school

Please be sure that the school has current phone information for you and your child's emergency contacts. If your child becomes sick at school, please make arrangements for them to be picked up within 30 minutes. If your child tests positive for COVID, strep or Influenza, please notify the school nurse. Thank you for your assistance in keeping our students healthy.