



Anthony Wayne Local Schools

Nursing Services Handbook

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Is my child too sick for school?

Here are some guidelines to help you decide whether your child should stay home. Keeping your sick child home will help your child recover from his illness faster and keep our Anthony Wayne families healthy. If you do question whether to send a child to school, please call the office and ask to speak with the nurse. We would be happy to check on them during the day. This tends to work better than telling them if they don't feel well, you will pick them up. Children become determined to be sent home; therefore, not being very productive in the classroom.

Colds	If your child has uncontrollable coughing or seems very tired and needs bed rest, keep him at home as this will interfere with his performance at school.
COVID	Please contact the building nurse for the current CDC recommendations.
Diarrhea	Your child should be FREE OF DIARRHEA for 24 hours before returning to school.
Fever	Your child should be FEVER FREE (<i>less than 100°F</i>), WITHOUT fever-reducing medication, for 24 hours.
Influenza	Your child should stay home for at least 24 hours after his fever is gone without the need to use a fever-reducing medicine like Tylenol.
Strep Throat	Your child can return to school after 24 hours of antibiotics and FEVER FREE (<i>less than 100°F</i>) WITHOUT fever-reducing medication, for 24 hours.
Vomiting	Your child should be FREE OF VOMITING for 24 hours before returning to school.
Conjunctivitis <i>pink eye</i>	If your child has yellow or green drainage from his eyes, you should consult your physician. Your child may return to school after 24 hours of antibiotic medication if prescribed.
Impetigo	Your child may return to school after 24 hours of treatment.
Head Lice	Your child may return to school after treating with a lice-killing hair product, ridding the hair of live lice and nits.
Rashes	Your child's physician should be consulted before returning to school with a suspicious rash.

Reporting Absences

In the State of Ohio, the only legal reasons for absence from school are personal illness, death in the family and observance of a religious holiday. In the event of an absence, parents are required to notify the school before 8:00 a.m. for Campus (AWHS, AWJH, FTMS) and before 9:00 a.m. for the primary schools. In accordance with Ohio law, the school is required to make an attempt to contact a parent if prior communication has not been made regarding the student's absence.

Excused and Unexcused Absences Due to Illness

- Absences due to illness will be marked as excused with parent notification via phone or written note for up to five consecutive days.
- On the sixth day of absence, the student will be marked unexcused and the absence will require a note from a physician.

Illness at School

Children who become ill at school can be better cared for at home by their families. The care of sick children is not the responsibility of the school. In the event of ill feeling at school, the nurse will evaluate your child and determine if your child should be sent home at that time. Parents or the appointed caretakers will be contacted. Children will only be released to parents or the designated caretakers.

Gym/Recess Restrictions

In the event your child has an injury or an illness that limits or inhibits participation in gym or recess, a written note from the treating physician needs to be on file in the office stating reason for restriction and length of time the restriction is needed.

Health Screenings

Health screening guidelines are maintained by the Ohio Department of Health. The following is the screening schedule for Anthony Wayne Schools:

	New Students	KDG	1st	3rd	5th	7th	9th	11th
Hearing	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
Vision	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Scoliosis					✓ girls	✓ girls	✓ boys	

If your child fails in any screening area, a re-screen will be conducted within 4 to 6 weeks. If at that time they do not pass, a referral letter will be sent home encouraging that your child have a complete professional exam by an eye specialist or a physician.

Head Lice

What is Head Lice?

Head lice are most commonly found in children ages 3-12. It is not a sign of uncleanliness and does not transmit disease. Lice are usually acquired by direct head-to-head contact with a person's hair that has live lice. It is less likely to come from personal items like hats, combs or brushes. Schools are not a common source for the spread of head lice. A child with active head lice has likely had the infestation for a month or more at the time it is discovered.

What to Look For

- **Louse:** an insect the size of a sesame seed and usually pale gray in color. It can crawl pretty fast, and it cannot jump or fly. A louse lives on the human head (not on pets). Survival off the scalp beyond 48 hours is extremely unlikely.
- **Nits:** tiny eggs that firmly attach to the hair, close to the scalp, with a "glue-like" substance that makes them very difficult to remove. They are oval-shaped and pale yellow in color. Nits found more than one centimeter from the scalp are usually not capable of living.

Treatment

- Treatment with a pediculicide (Nix) can be bought over-the-counter. Follow package instructions closely.
- Manually remove nits (especially those 1 cm. from the scalp) using a fine-toothed "nit comb" or removing nits by hands.
- Check all household members. Only treat if live lice or nits within 1 cm from the scalp are found.
- Clean hair care items and bedding of the individual with lice. Washing, soaking or drying items at temperatures greater than 130°F.
- Vacuum furniture, carpeting, car seats and other fabric covered items. Clothing that has been in contact with the head 24 to 48 hours prior to treatment should be cleaned as well. Sprays are not necessary.
- Re-treatment of a pediculicide is recommended after 7-10 days only if live lice or nits within 1 cm of the scalp are found. Again, follow package instructions closely.

Return to School

Your child can and should return to school after the initial treatment is given. No more than one day of school should be missed. If a student misses more than one day of school, the following measures may be implemented.

- A. Review of attendance policy
- B. Conference at school or home with a plan developed for treatment and return

Upon returning to school, your school nurse will check your child's head for live lice.

Food Allergies/Restrictions

If your child has a severe food allergy, please complete the [Severe Allergy Packet](#). If your child has dietary restrictions due to a medical condition, please obtain a note from the physician listing the dietary restrictions for your child.

Medications at School

Permission Forms

The appropriate Anthony Wayne Mediation Form must accompany all medications, including signatures of the parent/guardian and physician where indicated. A new form must be completed every year. If your child will need medications at school, the appropriate forms may be obtained in the school office, [downloaded from the school website](#), or accessed using the links below.

Primary Schools <i>Monclova, Waterville, Whitehouse</i>	NON-PRESCRIBED (OVER-THE-COUNTER)
Campus Schools <i>AWHS, AWJH, FTMS</i>	NON-PRESCRIBED (OVER-THE-COUNTER)
All Schools	PRESCRIPTION MEDICATION
	EPINEPHRINE MEDICATION
	INHALER / NEBULIZER MEDICATION

Bringing Medication to School

All medications must be in the correctly labeled bottle with a date that is the current school year. Medication MAY NOT be sent to school with the student. It should be brought into school by the parent or guardian.

Cough Drops

We do allow children to bring cough drops to school. For primary students, please send a signed note. These are kept in the clinic or with the teacher.

Available Medications

Acetaminophen and Ibuprofen are available for *Campus students only* with a signed non-prescribed over-the-counter form (see above) or by completing the acetaminophen/ibuprofen permission form completed online during annual registration. Please review yearly.

We also have Orajel, Triple Antibiotic Ointment, Caladryl lotion and cough drops available in the clinic that are administered based on nurse discretion. Please alert your building nurse if your child has an allergy or contraindications to these medications.

Immunizations

All kindergarten students and new students to the district must provide proof of immunizations in order to attend school. Please note that all Anthony Wayne students must comply with this requirement, as written by the Ohio Department of Health, by the 14th day of the calendar school year or the student will be excluded from attending classes.

Vaccine Requirements for Ohio School Entry:

All Students	DTaP, Polio, MMR, Hepatitis B, Varicella
Entering 7th Grade	Tdap Booster, Meningococcal
Entering 12th Grade	Meningococcal

As booster vaccines are given, please contact the nurse at school so your child's health file can be updated. If you have chosen to not vaccinate your child for medical, religious or ethical reasons, a ["Parent's Statement of Objection To Immunization"](#) form needs to be completed and filed in the office. The State of Ohio and Anthony Wayne Schools will honor these objections; however, you must understand that your child may immediately and automatically be excluded from school in the event of an outbreak of disease for which your child is not properly immunized.

Emergency Medical Forms

At the beginning of each school year, and when enrolling a new student, families are required to provide current emergency contact/medical information in the registration process. Please list local people if possible, to be contacted if parents cannot be reached in an emergency.

In addition, please keep your child's medication, allergies and health history up to date. In the event of an emergency, this information can be vital to health personnel.

Confidentiality Statement

Please be assured that your child's health information is kept in the strictest confidence in accordance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA). Health information is only shared with staff members directly involved in your child's education who may need to know this information to maintain his/her health and safety.

Promoting and supporting children's health so they can achieve academic success is our goal. If ever you have a question, please call us, we are happy to assist you.