

Student Illnesses

The intention of this policy is to provide a healthy and safe environment for our students by preventing the spread of infection to other members of our school community and allowing unwell children time to rest, recover and be treated for the illness prior to returning to school.

Students should not attend school if unwell. If a child is showing signs of illness at school, the school will contact a parent, carer or emergency contact to collect the child.

For prolonged and/or serious illnesses, please seek medical attention and provide a medical certificate to the school. For illnesses requiring management at school, please provide medical advice.

If a student arrives at school with symptoms, or during the school day begins to show symptoms indicative of a condition listed in the Queensland Health <u>Time Out</u> guidelines, a parent, career or emergency contact will be contacted and asked to pick the child up as soon as possible.

Queensland Health's <u>Time Out</u> guidelines provide information on the recommended minimum exclusion periods for infectious conditions and assist medical practitioners, schools, pre-schools and childcare centers to meet the requirements of the Public Health Act 2005.

Please inform the school if your child is diagnosed with an infectious condition so that appropriate steps can be taken to protect the school community.

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