

Granby Public Schools
Criteria for Excluding Students From School

Condition	Exclusion	Minimum Period of Quarantine of Contacts	Prevention
Chicken Pox (Varicella)	Until lesions have dried and crusted, or until no new lesions appear, usually by the fifth day.	Susceptible students or staff, who are not appropriately immunized or are without laboratory evidence of immunity or a reliable history of chickenpox, shall be excluded from school from the tenth through the 21st days after their last exposure. Neonates born to mothers with active varicella shall be isolated from susceptibles until 21 days of age. Health care workers shall be excluded from their occupations from the tenth through 21st days after their last exposure if they are susceptible. Anyone receiving varicella zoster immune globulin (VZIG) shall extend their exclusion to 28 days post exposure. Otherwise, no restrictions.	Immunize.
Shingles	Students and staff with Shingles carry the virus that causes Chickenpox and can cause an outbreak. Therefore, unless the Shingles rash can be completely covered, individuals should stay home until the rash is crusted over and dry.		Good hygiene

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Conjunctivitis (Pink Eye)	No need to leave in middle of day. Inform parents that Sx were noticed; infected students may return the day after treatment has begun. Parents should notify the school if physician decides not to prescribe medication.		Make sure hands are clean before treating child's eye and promote good hygiene; wash hands after with child's eye or discharge.
Diarrhea	Exclude when the stool is watery or decreased in form AND cannot be contained by diapers or controlled by toilet use, or if stool contains blood or mucus, or if accompanied by a fever.		Good hygiene; wash hands after any contact with stool.
Fever	Exclude if has fever over 100.0F and is unable to return to school until fever free for 24 hours without taking medicine (such as Tylenol or Motrin) before returning to school.		Good hygiene
Fifth's Disease	No exclusion required. By the time the individual is diagnosed with the rash, they are no longer contagious.		Careful handwashing (especially after handling discharge from the nose, throat, and before eating or handling food.) No vaccine for Fifth's Disease.
Hand, Foot, and Mouth Syndrome	No need to exclude anyone well enough to attend school. Virus is contagious before symptoms begin. Do not return if open blisters-host contagious first week but individuals can shed virus from the nose, mouth, and lungs for 1-3 weeks and in the stool for weeks to mouths after		Good hygiene.

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	infection starts.		
Head lice	<p>Students suspected of having head lice shall be sent to the Nurse for a head lice examination. If the student is deemed to have head lice, the Nurse will determine if the student is to be sent home. In all cases of suspected head lice, the Nurse shall notify the student's parent(s)/guardian(s) that the student has head lice. The nurse will also instruct the parent(s)/guardian(s) as to the proper procedures for treating head lice.</p> <p>The Nurse shall re-examine the student for head lice upon returning to school. The Nurse has discretion to send the student home based upon the re-examination. If a student has repeated episodes with head lice, the school nurse will attempt to work with the family and/or pediatrician to ensure the student does not have too many absences related to head lice.</p>		
Hepatitis A	Exclude case for one week after the onset of illness and exclude exposed children and staff in program until immune globulins given (within two weeks of		Immunize, good hygiene

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	exposure).		
Hib	Exclude until well and appropriate antibiotics have been taken for four days		Immunize; antibiotics for those in contact with infected person
Impetigo	Exclude for 24 hours after treatment begins. Do not need to send home in middle of day. Wash affected area with soap and water and cover.		Good hygiene; air out room daily; clean surfaces and utensils.
Measles	Exclude for four days after rash appears.		Immunize.
Mouth Sores (i.e. Herpes)	Students or staff with open, oozing sores that cannot be covered should not attend school. Individuals who typically out their fingers in their mouths or drool and have biting behavior, should not return to school until lesions are crusted over.		Good hygiene
Pertussis	Exclude until five days of appropriate antibiotic treatment has been completed. If no antibiotics are taken, exclude for three weeks after onset of cough.		Immunize; antibiotics for those in contact with infected person.
Rash	Exclude if accompanied by a fever or behavior change until a physician determines that the illness is not a communicable disease.		
Ringworm	Exclude until treatment begins		Keep environment clean, dry, and cool.
Rubella	Exclude for seven days after rash		Immunize

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	disappears		
Scabies	May return to school after treatment is started. Do not exclude if discovered in middle of the day.		Wash and dry all washable items that were in contact with the infected skin; always keep belongings of children separated.
Strep Throat	Exclude for 24 hours after treatment begins AND the child has had a normal temperature for 24 hours. Child can attend school if mildly ill and awaiting results of throat culture.		Good hygiene; air out room daily, clean surfaces and utensils.
Tuberculosis	Exclude until the child's/staff's physician or local Health Department authority states the individual is not contagious or the person has begun prescribed anti-TB medication. Within 2 weeks, individuals taking such medication are generally considered not contagious.		
Vomiting	Exclude if the child has vomited two or more times in the previous 24 hours unless the vomiting is determined to be a non-communicable condition and the child is not in danger of dehydration.		Good hygiene