



# Prince of Peace School

## Wellness Policy

2021-2022

At Prince of Peace School, our priority is to provide a safe and healthy learning environment for our children and staff. We request all persons in our school community to please observe these policies for the health and safety of all.

Please notify the school if your child is ill or if you have questions about the exclusion policy. If in doubt, it is best to keep your child home to fully recover before returning to school.

### OUR EXCLUSION POLICY CRITERIA

- \*Prevents the child from participating comfortably in activities.
- \*Results in a need for care that is greater than staff members can provide without compromising the health and safety of other children.
- \*Poses a risk of spread of harmful disease to others.

If your child exhibits any of the following symptoms of illness, please do not bring them to school. If a child is experiencing any of the following symptoms while at Prince of Peace School or they say they do not feel well, parents will be notified for immediate pickup. Ill or presumed ill children will be isolated in the school office and observed and cared for by a school staff member until pick up occurs by an authorized adult.

### EXCLUSION SYMPTOMS:

#### Children and staff may not attend school with any of the following symptoms:

- Confirmed for having COVID-19 and have not been symptom free without the use of medication for 10 days since the onset of diagnosis.
- The School will consult with WA. County Health Depart. for quarantine guidance following a classroom or outside of school exposure.
- \*A child must be "Fever Free" for 24 hours= a temperature over 100.4F AND not using fever reducing medicines
- A child must be "cough free" = not using cough reducing medicines and not diagnosed as allergies
- Shortness of breath that is not diagnosed as asthma.
- Persistent runny nose associated with a fever but not associated with diagnosed allergies
- Sore Throat
- Nausea within previous 24 hours
- Vomiting 2 or more times within the previous 24 hours
- Diarrhea within the previous 24 hours- defined by stool which occurs more frequently and/or is less formed in consistency than usual in the child, and not associated with changes of diet.
- Unknown or undiagnosed rash
- Abdominal pain that continues for more than 2 hrs. or intermittent abdominal pain associated with fever or other signs or symptoms within previous 24 hours
- Strep Throat- child may return after 2 doses of a course of an appropriate antibiotic 12 hours apart
- Head Lice- child may return to school the following day after being treated by a doctor or lice removal company
- Chicken Pox- child may return after all lesions have dried or crusted (usually 6 days after onset of rash) and no new lesions have showed for at least 24 hours.
- Mumps- child may return 4 days after onset of rash
- Feelings of excessive tiredness, unresponsiveness, irritability, persistently crying, unusual behavioral changes

We realize that in young children, a lingering cough or slightly runny nose may persist for several weeks. In order to preserve school learning by attendance, please call the office for guidance about your child returning to school if all COVID guidance has been observed and no other symptoms are present.

