

WOW Christian Preschool- Exclusion Policy

The goal of WOW Christian Preschool is to provide a healthy safe environment for children and staff alike. The following is the schools exclusion policy that includes guidelines you can use to determine if your child should be absent from school. We understand that not all illnesses require a child to be absent; however, the following should be considered when getting ready to send a mildly ill child to school.

1. Is the illness or symptoms experienced by your child on our list of symptoms requiring exclusion (See Below).
2. Will your child be able to participate in daily routine activities without any problems?
3. Will your child's illness require staff to provide more care than they possibly can without compromising the health and safety of the other children in the facility?

The following are symptoms that **REQUIRE** exclusion from preschool. The same list is used by staff to determine when a child needs to be sent home. Children who have any of the symptoms listed should be excluded from school until. 1: a physician has certified the symptoms are not associated with an infectious agent or they are no longer a threat to the health of other children at the preschool, or 2: the symptoms have subsided for an entire 24 hour period or the treatment has started. 3: if a child has been absent for 2 days he/she will not be able to return without a doctors note stated he/she is no longer contagious, 4: if a child is sent home and absent from school for 2 days he/she can not return without a doctors note stating he/she is no longer contagious.

1. **Fever-AND** soar throat, rash, vomiting diarrhea, earache or irritability. Fever is defined as having a temperature of 100 degrees Fahrenheit or higher taken under the arm, 100 degrees Fahrenheit taken orally, or 101 degrees Fahrenheit taken rectally. Keep your child home until the child's temperature has been normal for an entire 24 hour period without fever reducing medication. If your child has had a fever for 3 days he/she should be seen by a physician and can only return back to school with a doctor's note.
2. **Diarrhea**-runny, watery, or bloody stools. Keep your child home until he/she has been without having diarrhea for an entire 24 hour period without the assistance of medication. If your child has had diarrhea for 3 days he/she should be seen by a physician and can only return back to school with a doctor's note.
3. **Vomiting**-one or more times in a 24 hour period. Keep your child at home until he/she has stopped vomiting for an entire 24 hour period without the assistance of medication. If your child has been vomiting for 3 days he/she should be seen by a physician and can only return back to school with a doctor's note.
4. **Facial/Body rash**- If your child has a rash have him/her seen by a physician child may not return without a doctor's note stated he/she is not contagious.
5. **Body rash with fever**-Keep your child home until rash disappears or is diagnosed as not contagious. Impetigo-24 hours after treatment begins and lesions are dry or can be covered with bandages. Scabies- 24 hours after treatment begins. Chicken Pox-until blisters have dried into scabs, about 14 days after onset. Ringworm- 24 hours after treatment begins. **WOW staff need to be provided proof that treatment is being given to**

child as the doctor recommended and a doctor from physician is required for child to return to school.

6. **Soar throat with fever and swollen glands.** Keep your child home until 24 hours after treatment and child has been without a fever for an entire 24 hour period without fever reducing medication.
7. **Excessive runny nose-** If your child has thick white, yellow or green mucus draining from nostrils he/she can not attend school until the mucus is clear or drainage has stopped.
8. **Severe/excessive coughing-** If your child gets red or blue in the face or makes high pitched whooping sound after coughing. Keep him/her at home until coughing, breathing difficulties and/or other symptoms no longer affect normal activity. Children will be asked to be picked up from school if he/she is coughing excessively and unable to complete normal activities.
9. **Eye discharge-**Thick mucus or pus draining from the eye, or pink eye (conjunctivitis). Keep your child at home until 24 hours after treatment begins or until physician states child can return back to school.
10. **Head lice or nits (eggs).** Keep your child home until first treatment is completed, no live lice are seen, and you have removed ALL nits (eggs). All your bedding needs to be washed, spray treatment on all mattresses, spray treatment on all material furniture and carpets. If this process is not included in the treatment process the lice can return. If your child has excessive amount of lice you will need to provide a physician note before you can return to school.
11. **Yellowish skin or eyes.**
12. **Irritability, continuously crying-** or behavior requiring more attention that we can provide without hurting the health and safety of other children in our care. You need to keep your child at home until his/her condition improves.

Working together, we can help provide all children and staff at WOW Christian Preschool a healthy and safe environment in which to learn, play and work.

I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTOOD THE EXCLUSION POLICY

Parent Name: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Date: _____