

## FEVER

**POLICY:** Student's assessed during the school day and identified with a fever will be sent home using the criteria from the American Academy of Pediatrics and the Center for Disease Control.

### PROCEDURE:

- Student's assessed with fever of 100.4 degrees will be sent home and advised not to return to school until fever free.
- Students with fever of 100 degrees **and an associated flu like symptom** will be excluded from school until fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medicines following the CDC recommendations for "Influenza in the School Setting".
- This policy will be revised as directed by local, state and federal health officials responding to communicable disease trends such as influenza.

### References:

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