

Dear Shannon Forest Community,

We hope this correspondence finds you well. The administration, faculty and staff of Shannon Forest Christian School would like to urge you to continue to partner with us in the prevention of sickness.

Below, we are highlighting our policies concerning sickness. One important item to note, the **parameters for returning to school** from sickness are **different than those warranting removal from school** for sickness.

When can my child return to school after an illness?

- When the student is “**fever-free**” for 24 hours.
- A fever is a body temperature **higher** than the body’s normal temperature. Fever is usually a response by the body’s immune system against infection.
- Please wait until your student’s temperature is normal for a 24 hour period; in other words, **your student’s temperature must be under 99.0** without medicine, in order to return to school after an illness (note: this does not mean fever-free **while taking** tylenol or ibuprofen).
- Free of repeated diarrhea or vomiting for 24 hours.
- 24 hours **after** an antibiotic has started.

When will my child be sent home from school with an illness?

- When the student’s temperature is **higher** than the normal temperature (**above 98.9**).
- Repeated vomiting/repeated diarrhea

These policies are designed **for the protection of our students as well as the well-being of our community and to prevent the rampant spread of virus**, which is always a possibility during cold and flu season in all schools.

We want to urge you and your students to continue to wash your hands as much as possible. We have hand sanitizer readily available for all students on our campus.

If you should have any questions, please contact us. Thank you again for your continued support and trust of us in the education of your children.

In His Service,

SFCS Administration