## **Franklin County Schools**

## Illness Guidelines

Symptoms/Illness	Should <b>NOT</b> attend school	May attend school
Fever	• Fever (> 100°F)	After minimum of 24 hours since temperature 100°F or less without the use of a fever reducing medication (Advil or Tylenol)
Diarrhea or vomiting	Related to illness: Diarrhea (2 or more episodes) OR Vomiting	After minimum of 24 hours since last episode of illness related diarrhea/vomiting
Cough	<ul> <li>Frequent and uncontrollable cough related to illness.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>When cough is less frequent and improving <u>OR</u></li> <li>Cough not related to illness</li> </ul>
Rash or Skin Infection	Signs of illness-based rash or skin infection that is undiagnosed by a medical provider	When rash is resolving <u>OR</u> Written release from medical provider
Conjunctivitis (pink eye)	<ul> <li>Eye (typically one) appears to be infected</li> <li>Eyelashes are matted</li> <li>Thick drainage is present</li> </ul>	Resolving symptoms OR     Written release from medical provider
Pest infestations (Head Lice)	Live lice are present	With proof of treatment OR     School nurse confirming head free of live lice

## **Communicable Diseases (FCBOE Policy 6.430)**

Students sent to the school nurse with symptoms of illness, will be assessed for communicable diseases. No student will be denied an education solely because of a communicable disease, and his/her educational program shall be restricted only to the extent necessary to minimize the risk of transmitting the disease.

Parents or guardians of infected students shall inform appropriate school officials of the infection so that proper precautions for the protection of other students, employees, and the infected student shall be taken.

No student with a communicable disease, parasite or fungal infestation which may endanger the health of either himself/herself or other individuals will enter or remain in the regular school setting. If a Principal has reason to believe a student has a communicable disease which may endanger the health of either himself/herself or other individuals in the regular school setting, the Principal shall:

- 1. Assign the student to a setting which will protect other students, employees, and the student himself; or
- 2. Exclude the student from school until certification is obtained from a physician or the County Health Department by either the parent or Principal stating that the disease is no longer communicable; or
- 3. Exclude the student from school until the student is no longer communicable and is in accordance with the head lice procedures.