



Sick Policy

Health and Safety Guidelines

At all times, health and safety are top priorities at CONNECT Christian Academy. Each individual's vigilance regarding health and safety issues contributes significantly to our effectiveness. If a child is sent home from school with symptoms of illness, the child may not return to school until they are symptom free, without medication, for 24 hours. We will follow the protocols and guidance from the Santa Rosa County Department of Health regarding COVID-19.

Illnesses

We rely on the adult family members' thoughtful assessment of each child's health before sending him/her to school. Even if your child begs to come to school, please keep them home if they have any of the symptoms listed below. A child who becomes ill during the day will be isolated, the parents will be notified and expected to come, or make arrangements for the child to be picked up, immediately or within a maximum of 30 minutes. If your child will not be at school, please notify your teacher via your class Facebook page, or their school email by 9:30am. Any of these symptoms may indicate the beginning of an illness, which might be easily communicated to other children:

- Fever of 100 degrees or higher
- 2 or more loose stools within 24 hours
- Rash
- Vomiting
- Itchy, runny or pink/red eyes
- Lice or nits
- Colored discharge from eyes, nose, or ears
- Persistent cough
- Sore throat
- Any other sign or symptom of illness

Your child may return to school after*:

- 24 hours fever-free *without* medication
- 24 hours after the first prescription medication is administered for infections
- 24 hours after insecticidal shampoo has been applied and all lice, nits/eggs, and egg cases are removed for lice
- No colored discharge from eyes, nose or ears
- A doctor's release may be required to return after positive result of coronavirus, measles or mumps; and may be requested for other communicable diseases.

Your child cannot return to school until they are able to fully participate in both indoor and outdoor activities. We do not have staff members available to supervise children apart from their classes. If a child is sent home with similar symptoms within 48 hours of returning to school, a doctor's note may be required before the child is allowed to return to school.

CONNECT Christian Academy staff will not administer medications at school.