



IVYCREST MONTESSORI HEALTH REGULATIONS & CONTAGIOUS DISEASE CONTROL

HEALTH REGULATIONS

Medical Examinations: The State of California requires a medical examination for each new student. The Physician's Report form must be filled out by the family physician and returned to the school PRIOR to the child's first day of school. Additionally, our school requires an annual physical for further safety and health of our children.

Vision & Hearing Screenings: These services will be offered every year for children in Rooms 4-8. Ample notice will be given in the monthly newsletter and also posted in the office.

Immunizations: The State of California requires that all children, prior to admission in school, must be protected against tetanus, whooping cough, diphtheria, mumps, rubella, measles, chicken pox, and polio and that a TB test be administered. An immunization record is required and must be kept up-to-date. Required immunizations are subject to change based on Health Department regulations.

Allergies: Bring any allergies to the attention of the staff immediately; verbally and also in your enrollment forms. They will be posted in all classrooms. Remember to update the school with any new condition that may arise regarding your child's health.

Medicine: Due to insurance reasons and liability, we DO NOT administer prescription or non-prescription medicine. Children may not self-medicate under any circumstances (including items such as cough drops, and inhalers). You are welcome to come and administer medication to your own child.

Illness: A child shall not be admitted to school on any day when the child has obvious symptoms of illness, such as fever, yellow/green discharge (sign of infection), or vomiting. The school may reasonably deny admission of the child to the school if the child has been absent because of illness or believed to be exposed to a contagious disease.

Should a child become ill at school, he or she will immediately be isolated from other children. We will make all attempts to contact a parent first from the information we have on file. If we cannot locate you, we will call the emergency numbers as you have directed. Please remember to keep all your emergency numbers current.

In addition to these guidelines parents are asked to be aware that an ill child may be uncomfortable participating in the daily activities of school. This can affect everyone's day, and often requires the constant attention of a teacher. If a child is not well enough to play outside, he or she is not well enough to attend school. It is in one's best interest to keep a child with questionable health at home.

If your child has a temperature of 100 degrees or higher, they will be sent home and asked not to return for 24 hours from the point the fever has subsided without the use of medication.

CONTAGIOUS DISEASE CONTROL

Parents will be notified of any contagious disease in the school that affects their children and will be advised of any quarantine measures. Parents should notify the school as soon as any contagious disease has been diagnosed in their child. In case of any communicable disease, a medical authorization is required for the child to return to school. THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS.

Children who have the following illnesses should be excluded from school activities for the designated period of time as per the Center for Disease Control. This is in no way a comprehensive list of diseases, therefore, you are advised to consult your doctor regarding the period of quarantine and treatment for all contagious illnesses. Please have the doctor's office FAX a medical authorization releasing your child back to school as designated below.

Bronchitis: any form of Bronchitis, during acute, infectious stage with congested cough. Medical authorization is required to return.

Chicken Pox: for at least 7 days after onset of blisters and until all lesions are crusted. Medical authorization is required to return.

Conjunctivitis (Pink Eye): during acute stage, until eyes are clear or 3 days after onset of treatment. Medical authorization is required to return.

COVID-19: stay home and isolate for at least 5 days. Must wear a well-fitted mask through day 10 on IvyCrest premises. Please click the following link for further information regarding IvyCrest guidelines:
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/your-health/isolation.html>

Diarrhea: during acute, infectious stage, as long as child has no elevated temperature and no loose, watery stools.

Fever: for 24 hours from the time the fever breaks (unmedicated).

Fifth Disease: for 1-3 days from onset of rash. Medical authorization is required to return.

H1N1: for 24 hours from the time the fever breaks (unmedicated).

Hand, Foot, and Mouth: for 7 days from the onset of illness. Medical authorization is required to return.

Measles: for 4 days after onset of rash or until rash disappears. Medical authorization is required to return.

Meningitis: until child is well. Medical authorization is required to return.

Mumps: for 9 days after swelling appears or until swelling is gone. Medical authorization is required to return.

Pediculosis (Head Lice or Nits (eggs)): for 3-5 days until treatment is successful (retreatment is recommended 3 days after initial treatment). A staff member will inspect the child before admission.

Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV): for 8 days after onset of illness. Medical authorization is required to return.

Rubella: for 4 days after onset of rash. Medical authorization is required to return.

Strep Throat: for 24 hours after beginning medication. Medical authorization is required to return.

Tuberculosis: for 14 days after beginning treatment. Medical authorization is required to return.

Vomiting with Fever (Temp 100 degrees or above): until vomiting stops, temperature returns to normal and other symptoms are gone for a 24-hour period.

Whooping Cough: for 2 weeks after antibiotic treatment has begun. Medical authorization is required to return.