

## **REGULATIONS (Attendance)**

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- e. ELEMENTARY AND INTERMEDIATE SCHOOLS ARE NEVER DISMISSED EARLY AND HIGH SCHOOLS WOULD ONLY BE DISMISSED IF WEATHER CONDITIONS WERE FAVORABLE. OF COURSE, CHILDREN ARE ALWAYS RELEASED TO THEIR OWN PARENTS ON REQUEST.

If it becomes necessary to DISMISS the high schools during the day due to a power failure, etc., individual arrangements are made through the superintendent in consultation with the associate superintendent for school administration and executive directors of school administration, the principal, and the maintenance and transportation departments.

- f. There could be a rare instance in which we would NOT ALLOW the students to leave the school at the normal departure time. If the weather conditions dictated that it would be unsafe to do so, the students would remain under the supervision of building personnel until the danger period was over. This could be an instance in which the KISD's emergency preparedness plan with the Red Cross would be activated.
- g. It cannot be immediately determined when any MAKE-UP DAY will be scheduled. Staff members will always be consulted for recommendations prior to the decision.

### **9. Disease Control Measures**

The following conditions require exclusion from school attendance in accordance with the guidelines adopted by the Texas Department of State Health Services:

#### **Chicken pox:**

Readmit after 7 days from onset of rash, except immunocompromised individuals who should not return until all blisters have crusted over (may be longer than 7 days).

#### **Conjunctivitis (bacterial and/or viral):**

Readmit after a physician's certificate or health permit is obtained or after prescription medication has been initiated.

#### **Diphtheria:**

Readmit after a physician's certificate or health permit is obtained. Report suspected cases immediately to local health department.

#### **Fever (100.4°F or greater):**

Readmit when the child has been free of fever for 24 hours.

#### **Gastroenteritis, viral:**

Readmit when diarrhea subsides.

#### **Head lice (pediculosis):**

Students found to have nits less than 1/4 inch from the scalp or live lice will be excluded from school. They will be readmitted when:

- one medicated shampoo or lotion treatment has been given and documentation indicating type of treatment is provided to the school nurse
- nits within 1/4 inch of the scalp have been removed

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- the school nurse finds no evidence of nits within 1/4 inch of the scalp and no lice.

The student must be checked by the nurse before returning to class. (If the nurse finds live lice still in evidence, the parent will be notified and the student excluded.)

### **Hepatitis, viral type A:**

Readmit after 1 week from onset of illness. Immune globulin should be given to household contacts. If more than one case occurs in a school, immune globulin should be considered for all children and parents involved.

### **Impetigo:**

Readmit when treatment has begun.

### **Influenza:**

Readmit when symptoms subside and the child has been free of fever for 24 hours.

### **Measles (rubeola):**

Readmit after 4 days from rash onset. In an outbreak, unimmunized children should also be excluded for at least 2 weeks after last rash onset occurs. Report suspect cases immediately to local health department.

### **Meningitis, bacterial:**

Readmit after a physician's certificate or health permit is obtained. Depending on which bacteria are causing the illness, prophylactic antibiotics may be recommended for family members. Occasionally, close contacts at a school are also treated. For more complete information, please refer to pages 96 and 97 in the Appendix (or pages 98 and 99 for the Spanish version).

### **Meningitis, viral (Aseptic meningitis):**

Rarely serious. Usually caused by common viruses such as herpes simplex, adenovirus, or coxsackie virus. Investigation of contacts and source of infection usually not indicated. Readmit to school if no fever.

### **Mumps:**

Readmit after 9 days from the onset of swelling.

### **Pertussis (whooping cough):**

Readmit after 5 days of antibiotic therapy. Unimmunized contacts should be immunized and receive antibiotic prophylaxis. Report suspected cases immediately to local health department.

### **Poliomyelitis:**

Readmit after a physician's certificate or health permit is obtained. Report cases immediately to local health department.

### **Ringworm of the scalp:**

Readmit when treatment has begun.

### **Ringworm of the skin:**

Admit provided lesions are covered. Treatment is recommended.

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### **Rubella (German measles):**

Readmit after 7 days from rash onset. In an outbreak, unimmunized children should be excluded for at least 3 weeks after last rash onset occurs. Report suspected cases immediately to local health department.

### **Salmonellosis:**

Readmit when diarrhea subsides.

### **Scabies:**

Readmit when treatment has begun. Careful examination of close contacts required to identify early infection. Household members should be treated prophylactically.

### **Shigellosis:**

Readmit when diarrhea subsides.

### **Streptococcal sore throat and scarlet fever:**

Readmit after 24 hours from time antibiotic treatment began.

### **Tuberculosis, pulmonary:**

Readmit after antibiotic treatment has begun, and a physician's certificate or health permit is obtained. All classroom contacts should have TB skin tests. Antibiotic prophylaxis indicated for newly positive reactors.

### **Tuberculosis skin test, positive:**

If the student has a reactive skin test and is symptomatic of TB, he/she will not be admitted to school until documentation of the chest X-ray is submitted to the school.

Admit to school with documentation of a negative chest X-ray or proof of a scheduled appointment for a chest X-ray. Documentation of a negative chest X-ray and evaluation for preventive therapy must be presented to the school after the appointment.

Other disease control measures may be instituted by the associate superintendent for school administration.

## **10. Tardiness**

Students should be taught by school and home to be in the right place at the right time. A student shall be marked tardy if he is not in his room or mod area and seated when the tardy bell rings.

Tardy students arriving at school after 8:20 a.m. shall report to the office for a tardy slip for admission to class. Each school will establish its own tardy procedures and notify the students and parents by the first day of school.

## **11. Withdrawals**

Students withdrawing from school must be accompanied by their parents or guardian. Report cards and book cards cannot be issued to such students until records are clear.