

H1N1—SCHOOL EXCLUSION AND RETURN

FOR STUDENTS, FACULTY, STAFF & VOLUNTEERS

Symptoms	Action	Duration	Tell Parents or Staff
Fever 100° F or higher with cough or sore throat	Separate sick staff or child from other people Call parent Send person home	Keep out until 24 hours after fever is gone without use of fever-reducing medication. No note from doctor is needed	Do not need to call Doctor or go to hospital for most situations. If they are high risk* refer to a doctor or if they don't have a doctor refer to urgent care.
Severe Illness like difficulty breathing, rapid breathing, blue color to skin, unable to eat or drink	Call parent Refer for urgent medical evaluation Consider calling 911 depending on symptoms	Keep out until 24 hours after fever is gone without use of fever-reducing medication. No note from doctor is needed	Go to emergency room

Parents and guardians should monitor their school-aged children, and faculty and staff should self-monitor every morning for fever and other symptoms of influenza-like illness.

Other Important Information for schools

Continue to emphasize cough etiquette even after the child or staff has returned. Regular household disinfectant can be used for cleaning.

* PEOPLE AT HIGHER RISK OF FLU COMPLICATIONS INCLUDE:

Children under 5 | Pregnant women | People with asthma, diabetes or other conditions affecting the heart, lungs, blood, liver or kidneys | People with weakened immune systems | People under 18 on long-term aspirin therapy



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