

## UCC Schools Student & School Illness Policy

Our school policy states: children should NOT be sent to school if they have:

- Fever at or above 100.0° F in the past 24 hours
- Have used fever reducing medications in the past 24 hours (i.e. Tylenol, Motrin)
- Vomiting in the past 24 hours
- Diarrhea in the past 24 hours
- Bad cold / bad cough, especially if it has kept the child awake at night
- Bacterial pink eye (must complete 24 hours of treatment before returning to school)
- Strep Throat (must take antibiotics for 24 hours before returning to school)
- Any other potentially contagious illness or rash. Guidelines to return can vary depending on the illness

If your child becomes ill at school and the school nurse determines your child is too sick to stay, you will be called to pick up your child and take them home.

We encourage you to create a plan for transportation and childcare in the event your child becomes ill at school. If your phone number or emergency contact information changes, please notify the health center at 414-649-2826.

## COVID-19:

If your child is having symptoms of COVID-19 (fever, chills, cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion, runny nose, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea), contact your health care provider for further guidance. If any of your child's symptoms align with those listed above, <u>students should NOT be sent to school.</u>

A child who tests positive for COVID-19 may qualify to return to school if they are **fever free for 24 hours without using fever-reducing medications** and have **symptom improvement**.

Regardless of vaccination status, students that test positive for COVID-19 will be required to <u>isolate for 24 hours after</u> <u>the first day of symptoms</u>. Once students are feeling better overall, and have been fever-free for 24 hours (without fever-reducing medications), students will be allowed to return to school.

Students returning to school will be required to **wear a mask for an additional 5 days** after they return to school.

The CDC recommends that a student isolates for five days from the onset of symptoms. The CDC also says that students may return to school on days 6-10 if they wear a tight-fitting mask, they have been fever-free for 24 hours, and other symptoms are improving.



## UCC Staff Infectious Disease & COVID Policy

Should you test positive for COVID-19, regardless of your vaccination status, you will be **required to isolate for 24 hours after your first day of symptoms**. You can go back to your normal activities (and return to work) when both statements are true:

- Your symptoms are getting better overall, and
- You have not had a fever at or above 100.0° F in the past 24 hours (and are not using fever-reducing medication)

Keep in mind that you may still be able to spread the virus that made you sick, even if you are feeling better. You are likely to be less contagious at this time, depending on factors like how long you were sick or how sick you were.

If you develop a fever or you start to feel worse after you have gone back to normal activities, stay home and away from others <u>again</u> until, for at least 24 hours, and again when both are true:

- 1. Your symptoms are getting better overall, and
- 2. You have not had a fever at or above 100.0° F in the past 24 hours (and are not using fever-reducing medication)

Then take added precaution for the next 5 days.

You will be required to wear a mask for an additional 5 days around others when you return to work. You should not report to work/school or be in any building on the UCC campus during your isolation. Please notify your supervisor immediately in order for them to begin the proper processes.

You will be required to use your personal/vacation days during the isolation period. Please speak directly with your supervisor to accommodate this request.

UCC may request proof of a positive COVID-19 test result or a medical excuse if deemed necessary.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation as we work together to ensure the health and safety of our community.