

**Lafayette School Corporation
Pandemic Flu Student
Guidelines**

Under Indiana guidelines, we can exclude a child from attendance for medical reasons. Also it is important to keep in mind that guidelines for the Pandemic flu will be fluid and ever changing as new information regarding the H1N1 virus evolves.

1. Students, faculty or staff with influenza-like illness (fever with a cough, sore throat, Respiratory distress, chills, dizziness, body aches) should stay home and not attend school until fever free for 24 hours without fever-reducing medication.
2. Students, faculty and staff who appear to have an influenza-like illness at arrival or become ill during the school day should be sent home.
3. Parents and guardians should monitor their school-aged children, and faculty and staff should self-monitor every morning for symptoms of influenza-like illness.
4. Student returning to school from a flu-like illness should have their temperature checked by the school nurse before returning to the classroom.
5. School dismissal is not advised for a suspected or confirmed case of H1N1 and in general is not advised unless there is a magnitude of faculty or student absenteeism that interferes with the school's ability to function. This, however, is subject to change per new directive from the local health department.
6. As this will be a fluid and ever changing situation this year, considerable leeway must be afforded to students and staff regarding their absences for illness.
7. The corporation will strictly enforce the legal requirement that a student must have all legally required immunizations before being allowed to attend school. Students may be enrolled, but not attend until legal proof is provided that immunizations are current.

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