## Inter-Lakes Day Care Center & Nursery School ILLNESS & INJURY POLICY



## 1. Please call if your child is going to be absent.

- 2. If your child becomes ill while at school, you or your indicated alternate will be contacted and asked to take your child home.
- 3. If your child becomes injured while at school in a manner that prevents him/her from resuming normal participation or requires medical attention, you or your indicated alternate will be contacted and asked to take your child home. Children will be sent home for all head injuries, regardless of severity, to allow for one-to-one observation.
- 4. Children with the following symptoms/illness should stay home or will be sent home until improved, treated or diagnosed as non-contagious:
  - A. symptoms and signs of possible illness such as lethargy, uncontrolled coughing, irritability, persistent crying, difficulty breathing or other unusual signs for the child
  - B. any indication of a childhood illness/communicable diseases such as chicken pox. A child with chicken pox will not be allowed to return until all lesions have crusted over.
  - C. fever
  - D. conjunctivitis/pink eye or suspected conjunctivitis/pink eye
  - E. vomiting
  - F. diarrhea
  - G. impetigo
  - H. head lice (can return 24 hours after treatment) \*Child must be checked by administration and be nit free before returning to school.
  - I. scabies
  - J. any unexplainable rash
  - K. suspected strep throat
  - L. other at our discretion does not feel well enough to participate in the usual center activities.
- 5. A child's temperature should be normal for 24 hours <u>without medication</u> to <u>reduce fever prior</u> to <u>returning</u> to Inter-Lakes Day Care Center. Even a child with a serious infection may show no signs of fever upon waking in the morning.
- 6. If your child requires treatment with an antibiotic for a bacterial infection the medication must be taken for a minimum of 24 hours before your child returns to school.
- 7. Children with vomiting or diarrhea should not return to school until they have been symptom free for 24 hours.
- 8. If your child is exposed to something contagious away from school, please notify us.
- 9. The program does not deny admission to a child, nor exclude any enrolled child from program participation for a long-term period, solely on the basis of his or her health care needs or medication requirements unless keeping the child in care poses a significant risk to the health or safety of the child or anyone in contact with the child.