



Olton ISD  
Clinic Guidelines

OISD strives to keep students' health and safety a top priority. The following guidelines have been prepared by the school nurse, in an effort to maintain the healthiest school environment possible for both students and staff.

1. OISD students will be sent home for the following reasons:

- Fever of 100 degrees or greater (please do not give fever-reducing medications to send students to school)
- Vomiting (unrelated to overeating, exercise, anxiety, or other non-infectious triggers)
- Diarrhea (unrelated to documented pre-existing gastrointestinal issues)
- Yellow/green discharge from the eye – pink eye
- Ringworm
- The first 24 hours of antibiotic treatment for infections such as pink eye, strep throat, etc. New, undiagnosed rash or skin condition, at the nurse's discretion, until verified by the healthcare provider that it is not contagious.
- Suspicion of COVID-19 symptoms: (fever, persistent, unrelieved cough, unrelieved shortness of breath, new loss of taste and/or smell, sore throat, weakness, muscle pains, unrelieved headache, chills)
- Unrelieved asthma symptoms
- Infestation of live head lice
- Suspicion of communicable disease, see CDC chart

2. If your child is sent home with fever, 100 degrees or higher, **he/she may not return to school until fever free for 24 hours**, without fever reducing medication. **(ie: if your child is sent home at 2:15pm on Wednesday, he/she may not return to school on Thursday morning)**

3. Your child should not be sent to school with a temperature of 100 degrees or higher, vomiting or diarrhea. You should not administer fever-reducing medication and send your child to school as he/she could still be contagious and expose other students to illness.

4. Your child will only receive a nurse-excused absence if the nurse assesses the student and the student meets the criteria for being sent home. The nurse cannot excuse a child if he/she calls from the classroom, calls from his/her cell phone, or does not meet the requirements. The nurse can only excuse the next day's absence if the student meets the "going home requirements" and needs to stay home per guidelines. The student must have a doctor's note for any additional days in order to have an excused absence. Students will not be excused by parents bringing the student



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to the nurse first thing in the morning. Students need to see the doctor or have a parent call in from home. **Do not send your child to school and tell them to see the nurse first thing so he/she can be sent home.**

5. For student safety, all medications at OISD are kept in the nurse's office and the required paperwork must be completed prior to administration. If a student is on medication less than four times per day, it is suggested that the medication be scheduled before school, right after school, and at bedtime. If a student must have a dose of medication at school, please bring the medication in its original container to the school nurse and fill out a Medication Consent Form. Students will not be allowed to carry medication on his/her person unless it is an allergy/asthma emergency medication and the required paperwork is completed and turned in to the nurse. The nurse will have additional details on a child carrying/self-administering emergency medication.

6. Your child is required to be potty trained prior to being enrolled in school. However, we understand that accidents happen occasionally. If toileting becomes a regular issue with your child, a meeting with the campus principal, nurse, and parent/guardian will be scheduled to discuss a plan of action. As always, please send an extra set of clothes in your child's backpack to be kept at school.

7. The nurse is not required to call the parent/guardian for every visit a student makes to the clinic. A note may be sent home for a health concern needing attention. A phone call is made if immediate parent/guardian contact is needed.

**8. It is the parent's responsibility to contact the nurse if:**

- Your child requires medication while at school (short or long term)
- A child's emergency contact number has changed during the school year
- A child has a new diagnosis or medical condition
- A child's medication has changed that is to be administered at school