



Countryside Philosophy
"To lead, serve and guide the children of our community."

SICK POLICY

If your child is sick, it is important that they stay home from school. Contagious diseases are common in young children. Under no circumstance may child attend school when sick. The following sick policy is strictly enforced, for the health, well-being and safety of all students, their families, and staff members.

Fevers are common in young children. CELC's method for examining child temperature is axillary thermometry. Axillary temperature is extremely easy to measure but has been found to be unreliable for core temperature in children. Febrile seizures in small children can occur due to a sudden spike in temperature. Due to the sensitivity in fevers within this age group, CELC adds one degree to all axillary temperatures recorded. Policies are implemented as follows:

- If your child has a fever of 100 F or higher, please keep him/her home. Please have your child free of fever for over 24 hours before bringing him/her back to school.
- If your child, at the center, develops a fever of 100 F or higher, you will be called to pick him/her up. Please have your child free of fever for over 24 hours before bringing him/her back to school.
- If your child has a fever less than 100 F you will be notified. CELC reserves the right to request parent pick up for low temperatures if a child's overall condition seems abnormal.

*Fever controlling medication will not be administered. CELC reserves the right to administer medication for any reason deemed necessary. A note from a medical professional may be required for extreme medical cases where medication must be kept on file. CELC reserves the right to refuse medication for any reason deemed necessary.

Diarrhea can be highly contagious if it is due to illness. If your child has diarrhea, please keep them home. If your child has 2 or more episodes while at school, you will be called to pick them up. If your child vomits while at school, you will be called to pick them up. Please have your child free of vomiting for over 24 hours.

A **rash** on a child can mean many things. Some rashes caused by illnesses are highly contagious. If your child has a rash, please keep them home. A doctor's note is required upon their return. If your child develops a rash while at the center, you will be called to pick them up.

Parents are responsible to pick up their child promptly if notified that their child is sick. Parents are also responsible to notify the school if their child contracts a contagious disease. A physician's notice for clearance is required for their child to return to school. Dates listed on the physician's notice must align with current dates.

CELC reserves the right to deny a child the ability to return to school, even when a doctor's note is provided, if the child's overall condition seems abnormal and/or uncomfortable.

Child Name: _____

Date: _____

Parent Name: _____

Parent Signature: _____