

<b>Timberlane Regional School District</b>	<b>Policy Code: JLCC</b>
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## COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

This policy is adopted to carry out the provisions of RSA 200:38, and RSA 200:39.

**Fever-** any fever over 100 degrees during the night or morning before school. Students should be fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medications such as Tylenol or Motrin before returning to school. For fevers over 101 a call to the doctor may be necessary.

**Head Lice-** According to the Department of Health and Human Services recommendations, a student with a confirmed case of head lice may return to school after proper treatment. All cases of lice should be reported to the school nurse.

**Conjunctivitis-** (pink eye) According to the Department of Health and Human Services guidelines, students with crusty, itchy, red eyes with thick yellow drainage should be excluded from school. Once a diagnosis of conjunctivitis is made, the student may return to school after 24 hours of antibiotic treatment.

**Strep throat-** In accordance with the Department of Health and Human Services guidelines, students with strep throat may return to school after 24 hours of antibiotic treatment and be free of fever.

**Staph Infections-** In accordance with the Department of Health and Human Services guidelines, all infections should be reported to nurse and all open wounds must be covered while at school/ school activities.

**Rashes-** In accordance with the Department of Health and Human Services guidelines, any student with an unusual rash, or rash with fever should be evaluated by physician prior to returning to school.

**Vomiting and/or Diarrhea-** Students should be kept home for any episodes of vomiting or diarrhea occurring within 24 hours of the school day.

As referred to in RSA section 200:39, whenever any student exhibits symptoms of contagion or is a hazard to him/herself or others, they shall be excluded from the classroom. All other communicable diseases please refer to Department of Health and Human Services and the Office of Community and Public Health, Bureau of Communicable Disease Control.

**Legal Reference:**

*RSA 200:38, Control and Prevention of Communicable Diseases: Duties of School Nurse*  
*RSA 200:39, Exclusion from School*