

When your child is under the weather



Time in school increases success

- A few missed days a month adds up to several school weeks missed a year.
- Even excused absences can make it more difficult for a child to keep up in school.
- Kindergarten + 1st grade are critical educational years for a child. Missing school during these early years makes it more difficult for children to learn in later years, and they often have trouble reading by the end of third grade.



- Children should attend school unless they are truly sick.
- Use a thermometer to check for fever.
- Call the school as soon as you know a sick child will be absent.
- If a child must miss school, make sure homework assignments are requested.
- For children with a chronic disease, make sure school staff understand how to assist.
- Ask medical providers for appointments when school is not in session.



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