

Strep Throat

Dear Parent/Guardian:

There has been a reported case of Strep Throat in your child's classroom.

Symptoms: Fever that starts suddenly, red sore throat, swollen glands, headache, stomach pain and vomiting

Transmission: Airborne when infected person coughs or sneezes or by touching secretions of an infected person and then touching own mouth or nose.

Incubation Period: 1-5 days

Contagious Period: Until 24 hours after antibiotic treatment begins.

Exclusion from School: Until 24 hours AFTER antibiotic treatment begins and until the child is without fever.

Treatment: If your child has symptoms of strep throat, PLEASE HAVE A THROAT CULTURE DONE. If it is positive your child needs to be on antibiotic medication a full 24 hours before returning to school.

Thank you,

School Nurse