



ILL CHILD

(See Attached Durham Region Health Department Guidelines for Infectious Diseases Reporting & Exclusion)

(See Attached Vaccination Schedule for Students)

As primary caregivers of their child(ren), parents/guardians are expected to be active participants in supporting the management of their child's medical conditions while the child is in school. Depending on their cognitive, emotional, social and physical stage of development, and their capacity for self-management, students are expected to actively support the development and implementation of their Plan of Care. The Good Samaritan Act protects MLCP staff from liability with respect to voluntary emergency medical or 1st aid services. In addition, in cases of anaphylaxis and asthma, both Sabrina's Law (2005) and Ryan's Law (2015) include provisions limiting the liability of staff who respond to an emergency relating to these conditions.

MLCP places a priority on keeping our students and staff healthy and safe. To ensure the protection of children and the public, Ontario's Ministry of Health administers a universal immunization program as part of Ontario's Immunization of School Pupils Act. Under that Act, our Durham Region Public Health Unit is legally required to collect and to maintain a complete immunization history for all children enrolled in our school for all diseases identified in The Ontario Immunization Schedule.

The Ontario Immunization Schedule provides for vaccinations against the following diseases, each to be administered at a specific and appropriate age: Diphtheria; Tetanus; Polio; Measles; Mumps; Rubella; Meningococcal Disease; Pertussis (whooping cough); and Varicella (chickenpox, for children born in 2010 or later). Vaccines (injections or shots) are the best way to protect against serious infections. Canada's National Advisory Committee on Immunization also strongly recommends that all Canadians receive a booster dose of Td (Tetanus) vaccine every 10 years thereafter.

Parents/guardians must supply MLCP with one of the following:

- i. A copy of the student's immunization record card;
- ii. A copy of any immunization documentation (with dates) from another province or country;
- iii. A letter from a physician with date(s) of immunization(s); or
- iv. For parents/guardians choosing not to immunize their child between the ages of 4 to 17, an Official Confirmation of Exemption letter from our Durham Region Public Health Unit.



In accordance with Ontario's Immunization of School Pupils Act, our Durham Region Medical Officer of Health can require MLCP to suspend a student for a period of 20 school days from attendance, if our Durham Region Public Health Unit has not received the required information. This suspension can only be rescinded after a written Notice of Rescission from our Durham Region Public Health Unit is received by the school.

MLCP is legally required to report, as soon as possible, infectious diseases on the reportable disease list that may have been diagnosed in students at the school (Ontario's Health Protection and Promotion Act). All diseases on The Ontario Immunization Schedule are reportable.

Regular observation of the children, especially the younger ones, to identify illness or discomfort is expected.

As per the registration form - contact parent of a child who demonstrates illness and proceed, logically, in conjunction with the office, and parent wishes.

- ❖ Fever reducer or pain helper may be administered with documented parent sign off only.
- ❖ Vomiting or any other visibly more serious symptoms should be relayed to the parent via the office and pick-up requested.
- ❖ All children related accidents must be dealt with following the rules of First Aid and CPR. Ensure that the children are attended to with gentle care. Apply necessary first aid and remember to document incident.
- ❖ For more serious accidents, employ the help of other staff members to make sure that the other children are properly supervised.
- ❖ Notify the office of injury so further arrangements may be made.
- ❖ Contact 9-1-1 / contact parents.
- ❖ Ensure that events leading to the accident along with other pertinent specifics are relayed.
- ❖ Stay with the student, report, accompany to the hospital if parents are unavailable.
- ❖ Document incident as required.
- ❖ Hand the incident over to the principal or vice-principal for further follow up.
- ❖ The student's registration form with pertinent information will be made available to medical staff.



Routine Illness Surveillance

- ❖ All communication regarding illness of any kind will be noted and retained for three years on the Illness Surveillance forms. Parent calls to the office, staff calls to parents and ill health noticed will be reported and recorded through the office.

Contagious Diseases/Reportable

- ❖ Check the Health Department on current information / incubation / treatment of the disease.
- ❖ Immunizations should be on file.
- ❖ Parent and 911 notified immediately.
- ❖ If confirmed, notify the Health Department.
- ❖ Document incident as required.
- ❖ Letter of information distributed to the student body.
- ❖ School precautions:
 - Health Department to coordinate efforts to control the spread of the disease.
 - No student should return until the incubation period is over. Student must provide a letter from a doctor for clearance.

Please see the attached Durham Region Health Department "Diseases of Public Health Significance" for a list of reportable diseases and appropriate contact information.



Diseases of Public Health Significance

The following diseases are reportable to the local Medical Officer of Health (Ontario Reg. 135/18) under the Health Protection and Promotion Act. **Bolded** diseases must be reported **immediately**. All other diseases may be reported on the next work day.

Report diseases listed below to:

Population Health Division

605 Rossland Road East, 2nd Floor
PO Box 730
Whitby, ON L1N 0B2
Phone: 905-668-7711 ext. 2996 or 1-800-841-2729
Fax: 905-666-6215
After Hours: 905-576-9991 or 1-800-372-1104

Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (AIDS)

Acute Flaccid Paralysis (AFP)

Chancroid

Chickenpox (Varicella)

Chlamydia trachomatis infections

Diphtheria

Encephalitis, including:

1. Primary, viral
2. Post-infectious
3. Vaccine-related
4. Subacute sclerosing panencephalitis
5. Unspecified

Gonorrhoea

Group A Streptococcal disease, invasive

Group B Streptococcal disease, neonatal

Haemophilus influenzae disease, all types, invasive

Hepatitis, viral:

1. Hepatitis B
2. Hepatitis C

Measles

Meningitis, acute:

1. bacterial
2. viral
3. other

Meningococcal disease, invasive

Mumps

Ophthalmia neonatorum

Pertussis (Whooping Cough)

Pneumococcal disease, invasive

Poliomyelitis, acute

Rubella

Rubella, congenital syndrome

Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS)

Smallpox

Syphilis

Tetanus

Tuberculosis

Report diseases listed below to:

Health Protection Division

101 Consumers Drive, 2nd Floor
Whitby, ON L1N 1C4
Phone: 905-723-3818 or 1-888-777-9613
Confidential Fax: 905-666-1833
After Hours: 905-576-9991 or 1-800-372-1104

Amebiasis

Anthrax

Blastomycosis

Botulism

Brucellosis

Campylobacter enteritis

Carbapenemase-producing *Enterobacteriaceae* (CPE), infection or colonization

Cholera

***Clostridium difficile* Infection (CDI) outbreaks in public hospitals**

Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease, all types

Cryptosporidiosis

Cyclosporiasis

Echinococcus multilocularis

Food poisoning, all causes

Gastroenteritis, institutional outbreaks and public hospitals

Giardiasis, except asymptomatic cases

Hantavirus pulmonary syndrome

Hemorrhagic fevers, including:

1. **Ebola virus disease**
2. **Marburg virus disease**
3. **Lassa Fever**
4. **Other viral causes**

Hepatitis A

Influenza

Legionellosis

Leprosy

Listeriosis

Lyme Disease

Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning

Paratyphoid Fever

Plague

Psittacosis/Ornithosis

Q Fever

Rabies

Respiratory infection outbreaks in institutions and public hospitals

Salmonellosis

Shigellosis

Trichinosis

Tularemia

Typhoid Fever

Verotoxin-producing *E. coli* infection indicator conditions, including Hemolytic Uremic Syndrome (HUS)

West Nile Virus Illness

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Information available in accessible formats

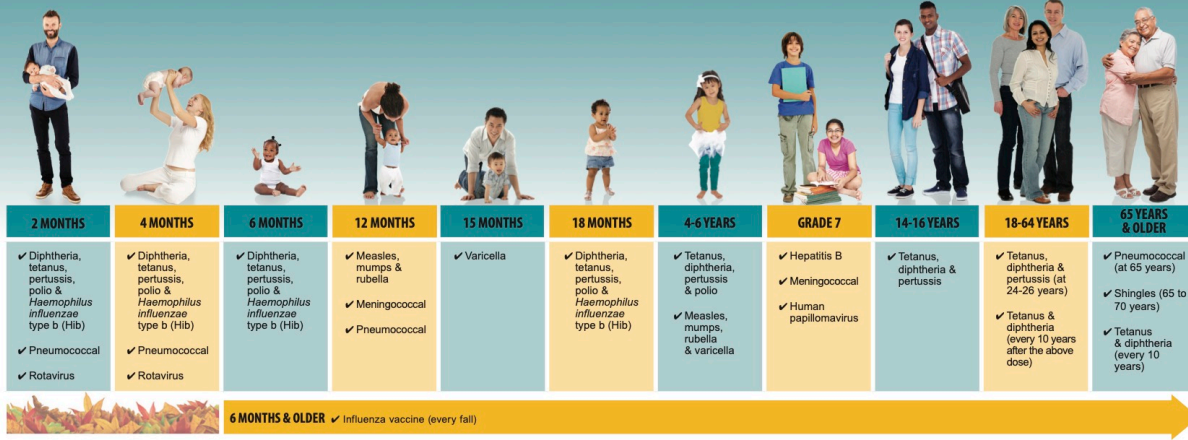


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