



# Carver Middle High School

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## ***Guidelines for Illness & Injury***

Students who become ill or are injured at school should report to the Health Office. The nurse will assess the student, provide needed first aid, and contact a parent/guardian when necessary. In the event of an emergency, 911 will be called for transport to a local hospital.

### **Contagious Illness:**

**Fever:** Students who are ill with fever may return to school when they have been fever-free for at least 24 hours (without the use of a fever-reducing medication such as Tylenol/Motrin).

**GI Illness:** Students should be free of gastrointestinal illness symptoms, including vomiting and diarrhea for at least 24 hours before returning to school.

**Illnesses Requiring Antibiotics:** Students may return to school after completing the first 24 hours of antibiotic treatment.

**COVID-19:** Please see the [recommendations](#) from the Massachusetts Department of Public Health. You may resume normal activities when feeling better and following the *Contagious Illness* guidelines above. When returning to school/activities, extra precautions are recommended to prevent the spread of illness.

For other serious illnesses requiring a medical evaluation, please follow the physician's instructions regarding return to school and activities. Please note, a written note must be provided from the provider for the absence(s) to be medically excused.

### **Injuries:**

If a student has an injury that requires an orthopedic device such as crutches, cast, walking boot, sling, splint, etc., a note from the physician must accompany the child when returning to school. The physician must clearly indicate any restrictions and identify the date when participation in the physical education program may resume. Your child's PE teacher will work with the School Nurse to ensure the physician's recommendations are followed. Missed PE classes will only be excused under the instruction of the student's medical provider.

*For more information, please visit the Health Policy section of the Carver Middle School and/or Carver High School student handbook.*