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Dear Elsie Johnson School Parents,

The purpose of this letter is to share with you ways that parents can partner with Elsie Johnson School to provide the healthiest school possible for our students.

**This month, we have had several students/staff members out sick with communicable diseases or rashes.** A communicable disease is an infectious disease that can be transmitted from person to person by direct contact with an affected individual. Common communicable diseases include strep throat, ringworm, hand-foot-and-mouth disease, and impetigo.

Per district and school procedures, if a student in your child's class has been diagnosed with a communicable disease or rash, you will receive a letter from Elsie Johnson School providing you with information about the disease and its symptoms. **While we love to see the children in school, we respectfully ask that you keep them home if they are sick so they can heal and not infect others while at school.**

As always, Elsie Johnson School will continue to ensure that custodial staff members thoroughly clean and disinfect student learning areas.

**Here are ways you can help prevent the spread of communicable diseases:**

- Remind children to wash their hands frequently with soap and water.
- Remind children to cover their mouths with their upper arm when sneezing or coughing and wash their hands.
- Remind children to keep hands away from their ears, eyes, face, and mouth to prevent spread of illnesses.
- Do not send children to school when they are sick.
- Per CCSD93's Parent Handbook, if your child has contracted a rash, he or she must be seen by a doctor and cannot return to school until cleared through a doctor's note.
- Per CCSD93's Parent Handbook, if your child is prescribed antibiotics, he or she must stay home for at least 24 hours after starting antibiotics. He or she may return to school if they are feeling better and fever-free without the use of fever reducing medication for 24 hours.

Thank you for partnering with us to provide a safe and healthy learning environment for our students. Please feel free to contact me at 630-671-8800 or [sikichr@ccsd93.com](mailto:sikichr@ccsd93.com) if you have any questions or concerns with this information.

Thank you for your continued support,

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