

Notes from Gesher's Nurse

Gesher's camp nurse will be available at the following dates and times to meet and discuss specific medical issues that you may have regarding your child. Please contact the camp office to set up an appointment.

Thursday, June 2 from 7:00 – 9:00
Tuesday, June 14 from 6:00 – 9:00
Wednesday, June 15 from 6:00-9:00
Tuesday, June 21 from 6:00 – 9:00
Thursday, June 23 from 6:00 – 9:00
Sunday, June 27 from 11:00 – 5:00

We strongly request that you take a few minutes each morning to observe your child's well-being before he/she leaves for camp.

The following are a few suggestions which may help to guide you.

REASONS FOR KEEPING YOUR CHILD AT HOME:

1. Illness during the night.
2. Fever of 100.0 or more.
3. Complaints of nausea, headache or abdominal distress.
4. Symptoms of communicable diseases: sore throat, red eyes with drainage, swollen glands, rash, vomiting, diarrhea, persistent cough.

MANDATORY ABSENCE FROM CAMP WILL BE AS FOLLOWS FOR COMMON COMMUNICABLE DISEASES SUCH AS:

1. Chicken Pox: Minimum Seven days after onset of rash. **All** lesions must have crusted over, but need not have fallen off.
2. Streptococcal Infections: Includes scarlet fever, sore throat, erysipelas. Twenty-four (24) hours after beginning specific antibiotic treatment, as indicated by a note from the attending physician.
3. Whooping cough: Under physician's care, on antibiotic, five days.
4. Impetigo: 24 hours after beginning antimicrobial therapy and when honey crusted lesions are dry, with a note from the attending physician.
5. Lice/
Pediculosis: Upon elimination of all nits/lice. Must be cleared through an examination by the camp nurse upon returning to camp. An attending physician's permission is not sufficient if nits are present, even though treatment may have been

administered.

6. Ringworm: Return to school as indicated by a note from the attending physician, and treatment started.
7. Conjunctivitis (Pink Eye): 24 hours after beginning treatment with antibiotic eye drops and a note from attending physician. Eyes must be free of discharge.
8. Scabies: Return to camp after first prescription treatment and note from attending physician
9. Fever: Campers will be sent home with fever of 100.0 or higher

For their own sake, children should be free of fever, without Tylenol or similar products, for at least 24 hours before returning to camp. ALL CAMPERS ARE REQUIRED TO BRING NOTE TO CAMP EXPLAINING ANY ABSENCE.

PLEASE NOTIFY GESHER WHEN:

1. Your child is absent.
2. Your address, home, cell or work phone has been changed.
3. You change your place of employment.
4. You change your emergency person to be contacted.
5. You make any changes that may affect who to call in case of an emergency (even for a short time).

All of this information is essential so that we can provide your child with the best possible care in case of an emergency.

Please be reminded that, if your child needs medication administered during camp hours, a medication consent form is required for over-the-counter drugs and prescription medication. Please hands deliver any medication directly to the camp nurse. The medication must be in the original medicine bottle.

If in doubt call your pediatrician or the camp nurse.