

## HEALTH SERVICES

The nurse or trained office staff provides assistance whenever needed. Minor injuries or ailments may be cared for at school and general first aid will be administered. If any question concerning an illness or injury exists, parents will be contacted if at all possible. Please remember that the school nurse is not a physician and cannot diagnose children with illness.

In the event of an illness outbreak, epidemic, or pandemic, Frontier Schools will be at liberty to change school health policies and procedures to align with executive orders guided by the CDC, Indiana Department of Health, White County Health Department, and Frontier Corporation nurse/administration.

Each school year, children are excluded from school for various medical reasons. This is done for the welfare of the child. According to the White County Health officer, teachers are required to exclude children from school who have any of the following conditions.

1. Elevated temperature of 100 degrees or higher, with or without other symptoms such as headache, sore throat, rash and other symptoms of communicable disease.
2. Any undiagnosed rash.
3. Any sore or inflamed throat.
4. Discharging from ears.
5. Other skin diseases.
6. Inflammatory eye conditions (pink eye)
7. Any undiagnosed cough (especially during epidemics of whooping cough and measles).
8. Nausea and vomiting.
9. Pediculosis and nits (lice).
10. Diarrhea

**Students with fever of 100 degrees or higher must be fever free (without use of medication) for 24 hours before returning to school. Those with vomiting must not return to school until 24 hours from last vomiting episode. If a child has been started on an antibiotic for something which is contagious, (strep throat, pink eye, etc.) we like for 24 hours of antibiotics to be completed before the child returns to school.** These are all efforts to keep disease from spreading. In certain circumstances, the parent will be required to obtain a physician's note, stating that the child is no longer contagious.

The nurse or trained office staff has the capability to excuse students medically if certain criteria are met. Therefore it is strongly suggested that students first visit the nurse before taking it upon themselves to call home or have a teacher call home.