

A note from the health office.

Conjunctivitis (Pink Eye)

We have had some call outs for students with conjunctivitis or pink eye.

This is an infection in the eye, sometimes caused by allergens and pollen and other times by a bacteria.

Both can be contagious when symptoms are present.

Ways to control the spread of pink eye-

- If you notice your student has redness, drainage or sticky material around their eyes please have them evaluated before sending them to school to prevent classroom spread.
- Frequent handwashing is the BEST way to prevent infections!
- Teach kids not to touch/rub their eyes or g share any products or items that may come in contact with the face and eyes i.e.glasses, cosmetics.
- Clean surfaces with soap and water or a mild disinfectant
- Have students dispose of used tissues immediately in a lined wastebasket.
- Change linen if your child has had an infection.
- Seek medical consultation, especially if you notice redness, drainage or crustiness of the eye and surrounding area.
- Please notify attendance if your student has pink eye and will miss school.
- Students may return to school after symptoms have improved and they have been on antibiotics for at least 24 hours.

Thank you!

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