

### Burlington Community School District Policy

Our standard policy dictates that any child who reaches 10 total absences in a given school year is eligible to be placed on the Doctor's Excuse List. Being placed on this list dictates that a child is required to turn in a doctor's excuse to the school upon their return or else that absence potentially remains unexcused. However, there are a couple of steps that are taken prior to an actual letter being sent out to parents:

1) Any child who has, or will be, diagnosed with H1N1, INFLUENZA A, BRONCHITIS OR PNEUMONIA will have that number increased based upon the number of absences caused directly by those respiratory illnesses. For example, Child A misses five days due to an Influenza A diagnosis; Child A will not be eligible to be placed on the Doctor's Excuse List until 15 total absences (or policy of 10 + 5 days due to the Influenza A illness)...

2) Before I send out a Doctor's Excuse Letter, I will always ask the front desk personnel and/or the principals at each school whether or not a child should be placed on the Doctor's Excuse List. Those people have much more knowledge as to whether or not a child misses too much school or if that child has suffered from those illnesses. Given their approval, I will send out the letter...if they suggest that we delay such a letter, I abide by and support their recommendation 100%.

The policy is in place for those kids who miss a tremendous amount of days, not those kids who suffer from the more serious illnesses during this complicated season.

### Danville Community School District Policy

We are asking parents to keep their child home 24 hours after symptoms and are free of fever without fever reducers. The Danville School District is waving doctors note and going on a case by case base at this time.