

BRIDGETON PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL



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790 East Commerce Street
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Dear Parents/Guardians:

Please help us fight the flu season this year. The flu virus is highly contagious. Please do not send your child to school if you suspect he/she is ill.

As per the New Jersey Department of Health, the flu vaccine is required every year for children 6 months through 59 months of age. Students in this age group who have not received the flu vaccine by December 31st must be excluded from school until they receive at least one dose of the influenza vaccine.

The vaccine is available from your pediatrician or from the Cumberland County Health Department.

Our school's medical policy states that students are to stay out of school for 24 hours after all flu-like symptoms have stopped. If your child is sent home from school due to sore throat, vomiting, diarrhea, stomach pain and/or fever, they are to stay home for at least 24 hours after the symptoms have stopped. Specifically regarding fevers, students must be fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medications, such as Tylenol. For everyone's health, please follow the above policy.

Remember, hand-washing is the #1 way to prevent the spread of colds and viruses.

Thank you! Your cooperation in this matter will help us to maintain a healthier school environment.

Sincerely,

Maryanne McCarty, RN, School Nurse