

In order to be promoted to the ninth grade, a student must not have more than one "F", during semester grades in the core courses (math, science, social studies, ELA) during his/her 8th grade year. Requirements for transfer students who do not attend the entire school year will be handled on an individual basis.

A student will be required to attend summer school, if they earn 2 or more F's at semester grades, 2/8 core courses (English Language Arts, Math, Science, Social Studies). The student must make up one course that received a F grade. If the student passes the summer school course with credit, then they will be promoted to ninth grade. If the student does not pass the summer school course, they will be retained in eighth grade.

Students may not walk in 8th grade graduation if they earn 3 F's out of 8 semester core courses. If a student earns 2 F's and is enrolled in the proper summer school course, then the student may walk in 8th grade graduation, but will not receive their diploma until passing the summer school course.

TIMELINE:

At the beginning of each school year, the 8th Grade Promotion Requirements will be communicated with parents. After first quarter grades in October, students in danger of earning a F will be notified of the 8th Grade Promotion Requirements.

In January, the principal will notify parents of students that have received a F as a semester grade on their grade report and arrange for a parent conference.

In early spring, the counselor will inform students at risk of failing or retention, explain high school enrollment options, and communicate other information about the move to high school.

Students officially identified as Special Education students may have differentiated promotion requirements.

District administration and the counselor, with the collaboration of the classroom teacher, meet quarterly to discuss possible retention. This information is communicated with the parent and student involved.

HEALTH POLICIES

ADMINISTERING MEDICINE TO STUDENTS

It is generally recognized that some students may require medication (prescription and non-prescription) for chronic or short-term illness during the school day to enable them to remain in school and participate in their education. While parents carry the primary responsibility for their children's health, they may need to delegate some of the responsibility to school personnel who may or may not be health professionals.

The administration of medication to children during school hours is discouraged and restricted to necessary medication that cannot be given on an alternative schedule. When medicine is to be administered by school officials, the medicine must be accompanied by a label affixed by a pharmacy or must be in the manufacturer's original container. In addition, written instructions signed by the parent/guardian and/or physician will be required and will include: the child's name, name of medication, dosage, time of administration, and date.

The administration of medicine to a student, when all of the above conditions have been met, shall be limited to the school nurse or other designated school district personnel. If a student must use cough drops at school he must have a note signed by the parent/guardian. Parents should be aware of the possibility of aspiration and choking with cough drops.

ILLNESS

If a child becomes ill at school, parents or a person designated by the parents will be called and asked to make arrangements for the care of the sick child. If the child is picked up from school by the parent, the parent must check the student out of school at the office. Any child, who has symptoms of illness such as fever, vomiting, etc., should not be sent to school.

INJURIES AT SCHOOL

The school attempts to provide an environment in which the child will be safe from accident and injuries. If a minor injury occurs, first aid will be administered. If the injury is serious, the school will notify the parent or someone designated by the parent. The parent or designated person will be asked to assume responsibility for securing further treatment for the injured child.

STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE

The Sunrise R-IX School District strongly recommends that each student be covered by individual student accident insurance. Insurance with an outside agency is made available on a voluntary basis through the school. This insurance is at the pupil's expense at the beginning of the school year.

Sunrise R-IX School District assumes no responsibility for doctor bills incurred by injury or sickness while a child is in school attendance or at sporting events.

STUDENT IMMUNIZATIONS

To meet state requirements all students enrolled in the Sunrise R-IX School must be appropriately immunized against diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis, polio, measles, mumps, rubella, varicella, hepatitis B, and meningococcal. or have exemptions signed by a physician or a parent/guardian.

Students cannot attend school unless they are in compliance with the immunization requirements. Failure to comply will result in the student's exclusion from school.

COMMUNICABLE DISEASES POLICY

Children with contagious or infectious diseases will be excluded from school for the period of time that they are liable to transmit the disease to others. The administration may require an examination by a physician to determine the diseased condition and the liability of transmitting the disease. The period of exclusion for contagious or infectious disease will be as follows:

- **Chicken Pox:** Until all blisters have dried into scabs.
- **Conjunctivitis (Pink Eye):** Until appropriate treatment has been initiated or discharge from eyes has stopped.
Children may return 24 hours after the start of antibiotic treatment.
- **Diphtheria:** Until two consecutive negative cultures each from nose and throat, taken not less than 24 hours apart, are secured after cessation of therapy.
- **German Measles (Rubella):** Until 7 days after the rash appears, unvaccinated students and staff excluded for at least 3 weeks after the onset of rash in last reported person.
- **Hepatitis, Infectious (Epidemic Jaundice):** Recommended for the first week of illness.
- **Impetigo Contagiosa:** Until 24 hours after treatment has been initiated.
- **Measles:** Until 4 days after the rash appears, unvaccinated students and staff excluded for at least 2 weeks after the onset of rash in last reported person who developed measles.
- **Mumps:** Until 5 days after swelling begins unvaccinated students and staff excluded, if 2 or more cases of mumps occur excluded for 26 days after onset of parotid gland swelling in last person with mumps.
- **Pediculosis Capitis (Head lice):** Until 1st treatment is completed and no live lice are seen.
- **Pertussis (Whooping Cough):** Until 5 days after appropriate antibiotic treatment begins, if untreated exclude for 21 days after onset of cough.
- **Ringworm:** Until treatment has been started or if unable to cover until 24 hours after treatment has started, no gym or other close contact activities until 72 hours after treatment has begun or the lesion can be completely covered.
- **Scabies (Itch):** Until 24 hours after treatment begins.
- **Streptococcal Sore Throat and Scarlet Fever:** Until 24 hours after antibiotics treatment.

The above information is from the Prevention and Control of Communicable Diseases, Department of Social Services, Missouri Division of Health, Jefferson City, Missouri.

General Guidelines for Sending an Ill Child Home

If your child has a specific physical problem, such as hearing, sight, speech, allergy, asthma, etc., please inform the Health Room and your child's teacher(s) in writing at the beginning of the school year or when the problem is discovered. These problems should also be noted on the Emergency Medical Consent form that should be on file in the Health Room. No child should be sent to school and no child will be allowed to remain at school with the following:

- Fever of 100.0 F or greater

- Bacterial infections, such as impetigo, strep throat, or ear infections, unless the child has undergone 24 – 48 hours of treatment and has a doctor’s permission to return to school
- Unidentified skin rash that has not been evaluated by a physician
- Presence of live head lice or nits in the hair
- Sore throat with fever or difficulty swallowing
- Eye drainage (clear or yellow) with itching and history of crusting on lashes at waking
- Vomiting at school or stomach cramping with history of vomiting in prior 24 hours
- Diarrhea
- Mouth sores with inability to control saliva
- Chicken pox or other communicable diseases (see specific disease guidelines for school attendance restrictions)

Any child that the staff is concerned about medically, the nurse or aide will call to consult parent/guardian.

Guidelines for When An Ill Child Can Return to School

- No fever for 24 hours
- No vomiting for 24 hours
- No diarrhea for 24 hours
- 24 hours without medication to reduce the fever.
- Has received 24 – 48 hours of antibiotic treatment of bacterial type infections and permission for a physician to return to school
- No live lice in the hair or discretion of school registered nurse

Cough drops will not be supplied by the school. Students may bring cough drops from home with a note from a parent/guardian indicating when they should be given. Cough drops must be stored in the Health Room and be dispensed by school personnel.

THE SUNRISE R-IX HEAD LICE/MITES POLICY

Adopted June 2006

In view of the previous information provided, Sunrise R-IX School has adopted the following policy for any student in our district found to have head lice. We strongly feel Sunrise has a responsibility to our students and you as parents have the responsibility to your children. For that reason we have divided our policy into two categories, School Responsibility and Parent Responsibility. These Responsibilities are listed as follows:

SCHOOL RESPONSIBILITY

1. Sometime during the first 6 weeks of the school year all students will be checked for head lice.
2. Any student found to have head lice will be excluded from school until properly treated.
3. At the time a case is found, all siblings or other students living in the same household will be checked. It is recommended that the entire household be treated that day.
4. When a case is found, that student’s entire classroom will be checked. Any close contacts will also be checked.
5. When a case is found, a parent will be notified immediately and will be expected to pick up the child. If the school is unable to contact anyone, the child will be placed in a non-contact setting. If a parent refuses to pick up the child or refuses to make arrangements for the child to be picked up, the Division of Family Services will be notified.
6. Students with head lice will be excluded from the bus until proper treatment and the school nurse has cleared the child.
7. If a teacher observes a student doing excessive head scratching or if a student complains of head itching, that student will be sent to the school nurse to be checked.
8. Students who have been excluded because of head lice (along with siblings) will be rechecked with a reasonable time after returning to school to make sure re-infestation has not occurred.
9. If a child has not been properly treated in three school days, his/her name will be turned over to the health department and the Division of Family Services for review.
10. Any student returning to school after head lice has been found must be accompanied by a parent or an adult. At that time the school nurse must check them. If the problem is resolved, the student will be given a pass to return to class. Teachers will not allow students in their class without this pass. If the problem is

unresolved, the student will be sent back home at that time for further treatment. If more than one family member has been involved, only students who still show signs of head lice will be sent back home.

11. This policy will be sent home with each student at the beginning of the school year. A copy will be given to a parent when they are asked to pick up their child up because of head lice. Parents are encouraged to call or stop by and ask questions of our school personnel. They will be happy to help or try to alleviate this problem. Please remember it is NOT the responsibility of the school personnel to remove nits.

PARENT RESPONSIBILITY

1. Students may not return to school with live lice in their hair.
2. Students will be excluded from the bus until live lice have been removed.
3. **A parent or an adult must accompany students** when returning to school. The student must be seen by the office personnel or school nurse and be given a pass before returning to class.
4. Apply a shampoo prescribed by your doctor or bought at nearly any drug store. Treat your whole family with the shampoo. Consult your doctor before treating children below the age of one.
5. Put on clean clothes after hair is washed.
6. Repeat treatment as indicated on directions. (Usually 7 to 10 days.)
7. Machine wash all washable clothing and bed linens with hot water and detergent, drying them with high heat for at least 20 minutes.
8. Dry clean all clothing not washable.
9. Soak combs and brushes and similar items in the louse shampoo for one hour or soak in water heated to 150 degrees for 5 to 10 minutes (heat may damage some of these items).
10. Vacuum all rugs, chairs and couches, and use spray recommended by pharmacists. Wash all vinyl chairs with disinfectant soap.
11. Check your child's hair *every day*.

Any child that the staff is concerned about medically, the nurse or aide will call to consult parent/guardian.

PBS – POSITIVE BEHAVIOR SUPPORT

The Sunrise R-IX School District's purpose is to prepare and inspire all students to be responsible, safe and contributing members of society with integrity and enthusiasm.

It is the hope of the school board, administration, and teachers that our students will always follow the established code of conduct. It is our belief that all Sunrise R-IX students are capable of conducting themselves in a manner established by the PBS program.

Cooperative discipline does not mean punishment. With this discipline plan, the stress is placed on:

1. Positive choice rather than negative consequences.
2. Choosing responsible action.
3. Accepting the consequences of choices and trying to correct any negative outcomes.

Students of Sunrise R-IX are capable, contributing and connected. They will continue to grow and mature. They will become assets to the community as they enter adulthood. We believe that all of our students will succeed in this lifelong process.

No code can be expected to list each and every offense, which may result in the use of disciplinary action. However, it is the purpose of this code to list certain offenses that, if committed by a student, will result in the imposition of a specific penalty.

SCHOOL CODE OF CONDUCT

The Student Code of Conduct is designed to foster student responsibility, respect for the rights of others, and to ensure behavior based on respect and consideration for the rights of others. Students have the right to know the rules and regulations, which govern their conduct while at school. Any restrictions on student behavior must be concerned with speech, attitude, or action, which disrupts the work of the school or interferes with the rights of other students.

Students have a responsibility to know and respect the rules and regulations of the school. Students have the further responsibility to behave in a manner appropriate to good citizenship everywhere.