**Illness Guidelines for Parents**

 1. Hope Lutheran Preschool is licensed for

 well-children care, we do not have the

 facilities for sick children. Therefore,

 if your child has any of the following Symptoms.

 **Please do not send him or her to school:**

 a. Fever over 100.4

 b. Vomiting

 c. Skin rash and/or eruptions of unknown

 origin

 d. Coughing associated with a respiratory

 infection

e. Infectious Rhinitis, i.e., purulent nasal discharge or nasal condition associated

 with cough and/or fever. If a running nose is related to allergies, the child’s

 medical record must reflect the allergies or we need a note from the doctor

 stating that the child has allergies.

f. Diarrhea-change in consistency, frequency, color or odor of stool.

g. Conjunctivitis-such as pink eye or purulent thick discolored drainage.

h. Parasites, e.g., crabs, nits, lice.

 **>>Health checks will be conducted each morning when your child arrives at school<<**

 **If any of the above symptoms appear to be present in your child, your child will be sent home**

2. If your child is at home with a cold, we ask that you keep the child home until

 hours after the symptoms disappear and the condition is no longer contagious.

 3. If your child is on antibiotics for an illness such as strep throat, it is permissible to

 return to school 24 hours after the start of the medication. Providing your child

 can participate in normal preschool activities.

 4. If your child becomes ill at preschool, the child will be isolated and **you will be**

 **notified to pick up the student within one hour.** Your child may not return to school

 for 24 hours after the time of pick up and be symptom free.

 5. **No-Nit Policy:** The affected child will not be allowed to attend school until treated.

 All nits must be removed completely. Although an annoying problem, head lice infestation should not cause undue alarm, just immediate action.

 6. Please let us know if your child has, or has been exposed to, a communicable

 disease (e.g. chicken pox, mumps, pink eye) so we can be alert to early symptoms.

 We will notify parents when a child has been exposed to communicable disease at

 school.

**Medication will be given when the parent has filled out the required authorization form completely. It will be posted on the refrigerator in the preschool office. Medication that is on an as needed basis e.g., inhalers, Benadryl, must also have the required authorization form completed. All medication will be stored in locked boxes located in the office**

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I have read Hope Lutheran Preschool’s **Illness Guidelines for Parents.** I recognize that these Guidelines protect the health and well being of my child and the entire preschool. I will refer to the parent handbook for reference throughout the school year.

Parents Signature\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_