**LAELC Illnesses Policies:**

Call parents to pick up children with any of the following:

* **Communicable Diseases:** Chicken Pox (must stay home until all lesions are covered with scabs), diphtheria, German measles, giardiasis, head lice (free of eggs and live lice), measles, meningitis, mumps, polio myelitis, ringworm, scarlet fever, hand-foot-mouth, Impetigo, and whooping cough. (These cases must be reported to the Public Health office, as required by State regulations.)
* **Diarrhea:** Two watery bowel movements in a 4 hour time-frame that look significantly different from normal.
* **Eyes:** Any inflammation, conjunctivitis, pink eye, redness with an itching/burning sensation, or secreting a thick yellow substance.
* **Fever**: Any temperature above the normal 98.6 degree (if your child has an elevated temp, their body is trying to fight something), **send home if** **100 or above.** Child must stay home until they have been fever free (without medication) for 24 hours.
* **Skin-Rash Problems:** Any unidentified rashes, open sores, crusty areas, or blisters those are raw or weeping with yellow-green drainage that cannot be covered.
* **Sore Throats:** When a throat culture has been taken to determine whether or not it is strep throat, the child may not return to preschool until the test results are back from the doctor. If the child has strep throat they must remain at home until they have been on antibiotics for 24 hours.
* **Vomiting:** The child should be kept home until symptom free for 24 hours.
* **Unusual:** Bacterio-diarrheal infections, infectious hepatitis, infectious mononucleosis, staph infection (parent must supply a doctor’s permission statement in order to return to LA), and tuberculosis.
* **Miscellaneous:** An apparent illness **with or without** obvious symptoms such as: a severe cold, excessive nasal drainage, paleness, irritability, or unusual fatigue; that would hinder the child’s participation in normal class routines.

Leave note in office for the communicable diseases so a note can be prepared to be sent home and posted on bulletin boards.

Protocol for cleaning

Vomit or Feces using Universal Precautions:

1. Get the Black trashcan/puke bucket from the office.
2. Put on 2 pairs of gloves.
3. Shake powder, use paper toweling to pick-up solid matter and to absorb liquid.
4. Place used paper toweling into double lined trash can.
5. Remove outer gloves (place in double lined trash can), wash area with soap and warm water.
6. Remove gloves (place in double lined trash can), add new pair, and disinfect the area using freshly made bleach/water solution or Shaklee’s Basic G solution. Allow it to dry.
7. Remove both bags from the trash can, tie shut and place into large trashcan in custodian closet, place 2 new bags in black trashcan, replenish any supplies and place can in office.

**Universal Precautions:**

All persons exposed to blood or blood containing body fluids and tissue discharge shall wash their hands immediately with soap and warm running water. Bodily secretions are contained using appropriate barriers (i.e., disposable gloves, proper disposal, etc.) as necessary. Hands shall be washed with soap and water and gloves shall be double bagged and placed in the trash receptacle located in the custodial closet, not in classrooms garbage.