



South Lake Home Educators Illness Policy

This document outlines the South Lake Home Educators (SLHE) policies regarding illness attendance and includes a waiver of liability relating to COVID-19 exposure. These guidelines are designed to protect all members of our homeschool community and establish clear expectations for participation in SLHE-sponsored activities during times of illness.

General Illness Attendance Policy

In consideration of all South Lake Home Educators members, we require that you refrain from attending any SLHE-sponsored activities if you or someone in your immediate family is experiencing symptoms of illness. This policy applies to symptoms that are unrelated to any ongoing physical issues or allergies.



Fever

Participants must be fever-free for 24 hours without the help of medication before returning to activities.



Respiratory Symptoms

Coughing (non-allergy related), difficulty breathing, or shortness of breath require staying home.



Digestive Issues

Nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea are causes to remain at home until symptoms have cleared.



Other Symptoms

Runny nose with colored mucus indicates infection and requires staying home from activities.

Contagious Illnesses Protocol

To maintain a healthy environment for all members, participants must refrain from attending SLHE activities when experiencing symptoms of contagious illnesses. These include but are not limited to:

Common Contagious Conditions

- Pink eye (conjunctivitis)
- Chicken pox
- Measles
- Mumps
- Head Lice

Respiratory Infections

- Common cold
- Influenza (flu)
- COVID-19
- Respiratory syncytial virus (RSV)

Bacterial Infections

- Strep throat
- Pneumonia
- Other contagious bacterial infections requiring antibiotics

COVID-19 Specific Guidelines

South Lake Home Educators follows CDC guidelines regarding COVID-19 exposure and infection. If anyone in your household has tested positive for COVID-19, please adhere to the current CDC recommendations regarding quarantine, isolation, and testing before returning to SLHE activities.

Waiver of Liability

By attending South Lake Home Educators activities, members acknowledge the contagious nature of COVID-19 and voluntarily assume the risk that they and their families may be exposed to or infected by COVID-19. This acknowledgment extends to understanding that exposure or infection may result from actions, omissions, or negligence of themselves and/or others.

Members agree to assume all foregoing risks, waive liability against South Lake Home Educators and any other listed parties or venues, and accept sole responsibility for any illness, injury, disability, or death to themselves or their family members.

This waiver includes all claims that may arise resulting from any COVID-19 exposure or infection in connection with participation in SLHE activities.

Acknowledgment of Policy

By participating in South Lake Home Educators activities, members confirm they have read, understood, and agree to comply with the illness policy and COVID-19 waiver outlined in this document. This acknowledgment serves as formal agreement to:

1. Follow all illness-related attendance policies
2. Keep family members home when experiencing symptoms outlined in this policy
3. Assume risks associated with participation in community activities during times of contagious illness
4. Waive liability against South Lake Home Educators regarding illness exposure

This policy is designed to protect all members of our community while allowing us to continue valuable educational and social activities. Thank you for your cooperation in maintaining a healthy environment for all South Lake Home Educators families.