

Petra Community Illness Policy

Every family acknowledges and accepts the inherent risks of gathering as a community. Each family accepts responsibility for assessing their family member's symptoms and will choose to act in good faith to decide whether it is in the best interest of both your family and the community for your family members to attend Petra. Please do not contact Hannah or the Board to help you assess symptoms within your family. You are the parent and you know your family best. Petra trusts that you, the parent, will make the wise choice for all.

For specific illnesses, these guidelines were agreed upon as a community. To be considerate- parents check for symptoms frequently before community day. Individuals that have recovered and are symptom free for 36 hours are welcome on campus. Please consider having family members with the following symptoms stay home:

Cold: (new symptoms) head congestion, sinuses, fatigue, sneezing

Cough: new cough onset within 36 hours. (Post viral cough by itself is not a reason to stay home.)

Fever: 100.4 Please be fever free for at least 36 hours with no suppressant.

Flu: (fever, body aches) Please be 36 hours symptom free, without the aid of medication

Allergies: are symptoms new or ongoing? Allergies are not a reason to stay home.

Sore Throats: is an active symptom with an onset within the last 36 hours, please consider staying home

Vomiting: In addition to not feeling well... (parent discretion) paired with general malaise. 36 hours with multiple spews to give chance for meals to settle.

Covid: we are not asking for families to test for Covid or antibodies. If they get tested and it comes back positive, the whole family should stay home. If there is a known exposure in close proximity for a significant length of time, families may consider taking extra precaution.

Please have an awareness of contagious symptoms if seeing spread throughout your family. We would prefer that sick individuals stay home. If there are symptoms that appear to affect multiple family members or are serious in nature, please consider having the entire family stay home.

If there is an individual that is sick enough to stay home or if symptoms pop up right after community day, then the parent can give the community a heads up on the main community band weekly update post in a comment.

Golden Rule- respect others as you wish to be respected.