

Date: _____

Dear Parent of _____,

I saw your child today at school. Your child had

- ☐ Red eyes
- ☐ Yellow or green drainage
- ☐ Pain or swelling of the eye(s)
- ☐ Dried discharge (crusty like substance) around eyes

Due to these symptoms, your child could have **Pink Eye**. I recommend you contact your health care provider for treatment. The drainage from the eyes can cause eye infections in others. Careful hand washing and separate wash cloths are advised. It is also important to remind your child to keep his/her hands off of his/her face.

Thank you,

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Conjunctivitis(Pink eye) is an irritation of the membrane that lines the inside of the eyelid and covers the whites of the eyes. Conjunctivitis can be caused by bacterial or viral infection, or it can be the result of a chemical or allergic reaction in the eye.

Signs and Symptoms:

- a. redness of the eye (bloodshot appearance), usually with itchiness or irritation
- b. swelling, watering, and severe itching of the eye
- c. redness, itching, and a thick yellowish discharge that can cause a child's eyelids to stick together after sleeping
- d. red itchy eyes with a generally clear to white discharge

Treatment:

- a. Call your physician; he/she will determine the best treatment for your child.
- b. FOLLOW THE DIRECTIONS ON THE PRESCRIPTION EVEN IF THE SYMPTOMS ARE NO LONGER EVIDENT.

Readmission to School:

- a. The student may return to school when the symptoms have subsided OR
- b. The student may return to school with a note from the doctor stating that the child is no longer contagious.