

RASHES

Rashes may have many causes including heat, infection, illness, reaction to medications, allergic reactions, insect bites, dry skin or skin irritations.

Rashes include such things as:

- Hives
- Red spots
- Purple spots
- Small blisters

Some rashes may be due to contagious diseases.
Wear disposable gloves to protect yourself when in contact with any rash.

Does the student have:

- Loss of consciousness
- Difficulty breathing or swallowing?
- Purple spots that don't turn white when you press on them?
- Does the student appear extremely ill?

CALL EMS/911

Is the student possibly having an allergic reaction?

NO

Monitor breathing and initiate CPR if needed.

Contact responsible school authority & parent/guardian.
URGE MEDICAL CARE.

Are any of the following symptoms present?

- Drainage from the rash?
- Oral or tympanic temperature over 100° or axillary temperature over 99° (See "**FEVER**")?
- Headaches?
- Diarrhea?
- Sore throat?
- Vomiting?
- Rash is bright red and sore to the touch?
- Rash (hives) all over the body?
- Student is uncomfortable (e.g. itchy, sore, feels ill) and is unable to participate in school activities?

NO

NO

If rash is mild, located in small area of the body, and not causing the student to be uncomfortable, student can remain in school. Contact parent/guardian with an update.

Document care provided.

See "**ALLERGIC REACTION.**"

If unable to reach parent/guardian, allow student to rest with adult supervision. Monitor temperature every hour. If temperature reaches 104° axillary or 105° orally/tympanic, call **EMS/911.**