

# Influenza-like Illness Symptom Screening Tool for Parents and Caregivers

Parents and caregivers should use the following questionnaire to assess the health status of their child on a daily basis.

# Does your child have:

1.	Fever (100° F or greater)?	Yes	No
2.	Sore throat?	Yes	No
3.	Cough?	Yes	No
4.	Nasal congestion?	Yes	No
5.	Runny nose?	Yes	No

#### **SHOULD I KEEP MY CHILD HOME?**

- If you checked YES for fever (100° of higher) or fever AND one of the other symptoms, keep your child home for 24 hours after the last episode. If you have questions about your child's health or symptoms, call your healthcare provider.
- If your child has been diagnosed by a healthcare provider with a different disease, such as strep, follow your healthcare provider's recommendation for when to return to school.

## WHAT SHOULD I TELL MY CHILD'S SCHOOL?

- If you checked YES for fever (100° of higher) or fever AND one of the other symptoms, call your child's attendance office to let them know what symptoms your child has and that they will not be at school.
- If your child has been diagnosed by a healthcare provider with a different disease, such as strep, tell your child's attendance office.

For more information, call the Benton-Franklin Health Department at (509) 460-4200 or go to the CDC website at: http://www.cdc.gov/flu/protect/habits.htm

## **Stop the Spread:**

- Wash your hands
- Cover your cough
- Stay home if you are ill