



May 12, 2008

To: East Bay Waldorf School Community

From: Erika Jensen, Contra Costa Public Health

Re: Whooping cough update

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Thank you to everyone for a very smooth morning today.

Everyone who came to school today has submitted proof of antibiotics and all students, faculty and staff were screened for symptoms. We sent home a few individuals with questionable symptoms.

We will be at the school again on Tuesday, May 13<sup>th</sup> screening all children for symptoms. If you have submitted proof of antibiotics and were admitted to school on Monday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, your child should line up as usual for school in front of their classroom. If you haven't submitted proof of antibiotics, please read below.

**For those with symptoms:**

If you have symptoms, you must stay home and away from others for the whole five days that you are taking antibiotics. You can return to school 24 hours after your LAST dose of antibiotics.

**For those with NO symptoms who took their first dose of antibiotics before noon on Monday, May 12<sup>th</sup>:**

If your child took their first dose of antibiotics before noon on Monday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, and your child has NO symptoms, your child is welcome to return to school. Proof of antibiotic prescription must be faxed to Contra Costa Public Health at (925) 313-6465 or brought to school on Tuesday, May 13<sup>th</sup> in the morning.

**For those with NO symptoms who are taking their first dose of antibiotics after 12 pm on Monday, May 12<sup>th</sup>:**

If your child is going to take their first dose of antibiotics after noon 12pm on Monday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, your child must remain home and away from others for the whole five days that they are on antibiotics. Your child can return to school 24 hours after the LAST dose of antibiotics.

Please feel free to call us with questions – (925) 313-6740 or go to [cchealth.org](http://cchealth.org)