

# For Parents/Campus Websites- Concerning Illness Notes

## Pre Plans for Illness Notes

It's not if my child will be sick - it is when my child will be sick. Download the Skyward app if you have not done so already. Directions are available on the GISD website. Plan for alternative ways to get your sick notes to the school.

1. Skyward Parent Note (Picture/Text)
2. Email the school attendance clerk and teacher
3. Fax information with cover page to attendance clerk
4. Call the school clerk

Make sure that you and your child have their campus contact information (Student I.D #'s, usernames and passwords to Canvas and all other platforms) with the resources for assistance. We don't want your child's academics to be impacted by absences, so plan now. If you have any questions or need resources, please contact your child's campus.

## During Illness

As long as the student is providing daily engagement through completion of daily assignments, making daily progress in Canvas, or has made daily contact with the teacher regarding the student's progress, then the student would be considered a remote asynchronous present. Progress can be made over the course up until 11:59pm and be counted as daily engagement. For synchronous remote instruction, attendance must be taken at the designated campus time. Keep this in mind when you are thinking about possibly giving notes to the school.

Let the school know as soon as possible and explain why your child can't come to school. Again, our recommendation is the following:

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## Post Plans for Illness Notes

Talk to your school if your child needs to take an extended period of time off. There are flexible options to keep your child from falling behind.

While it is our general procedure for students to bring a doctor's note after two days of absence for illness, during the Back to School Transition period, parent provided illness notes that refer to students or household members experiencing COVID-like or FLU-like symptoms will be accepted and may be excused for up to 14 days. During this time students may still participate in remote learning by completing assignments virtually to qualify for asynchronous attendance.