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## **COXSACKIE VIRUS FACT SHEET**

Coxsackie Virus is (also known as hand, foot and mouth disease). This infection is characterized by a moderate fever (100-103F), mouth sores and blisters, a body rash, especially on the buttocks; and small, flat red spots or raised blisters on the hands and feet. Mouth sores and blisters may affect your child's appetite.

Please watch your child for the symptoms listed below. If your child exhibits any of the symptoms, please call your child's healthcare provider for guidance.

Symptoms usually appear 3-5 days after exposure.

### **Common Signs and Symptoms:**

- Fever
- Poor appetite
- Runny nose
- Sore throat
- A blister-like rash on the hands, feet and in the mouth, that usually develops one to two days after the initial symptoms

Children with a rash and a fever should not attend school.

Hand, Foot and Mouth disease is contagious, and it is best controlled by diligent hand washing.

Please notify the school health office, if your child becomes ill with the Coxsackie Virus. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the school nurse.