



School Note Policy

- School notes will not be given if the child has not been seen by Baldwin Pediatrics.
- Good attendance habits are linked to good health throughout a child's life. The American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) encourages parents to avoid unnecessary school absences.
 - Children who attend appointments during school hours should return immediately following, if not deemed infectious and/or at risk.
- Baldwin Pediatrics is unable to write school excuse notes for children that have not been seen in the office and/or virtually by a provider. School excuse documents are generated at the time of visit and indicates the allotted excusable time approved by the provider.
 - If patient remains ill after the initial approved number of days, it is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to contact the office via portal message or phone. The extension remains at the discretion of the provider.
 - Virtual visit notes and/or patient summaries can be retrieved via the portal, and/or picked up at the office.
- Parental decisions on school absences, outside of our providers guidance may not be approved as excusable.
 - If a child is sick for more than two days, the parent is urged to contact the office for further evaluation.
- Patients requesting school excuses for continuous/multiple days due to asthma, headaches, menstrual cramps, or other on-going issue(s), are required to be seen by their primary care provider.
 - Routine care for chronic disorders and/or on-going concerns assist in successful management and promoting regular school attendance.
- False or Forged school excuses reported by any school will be reported to administration for potential legal action and may result in discharge from the practice.

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent /Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____