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## **EXPOSURE NOTICE**

Dear Parents:

On \_\_\_\_\_ your child may have been exposed to the communicable disease or condition that is listed below. The information provided does not replace talking with your healthcare provider if your child is ill. ***If your child has symptoms, please seek diagnosis and treatment from your healthcare provider.***

### **COMMUNICABLE DISEASE/CONDITION**

**RINGWORM:** A fungal infection affecting the scalp or body.

#### **What are the symptoms?**

- *For infections of the scalp:* Patchy areas of dandruff-like scaling, with or without hair loss. Redness and scaling of the scalp. Infected hairs become brittle and break off easily.
- *For infections of the skin:* Red, circular patches with raised edges and central clearing.

**How is it spread?** Through direct skin-to-skin contact with infected persons or animals or indirect contact with contaminated items such as combs, brushes, and/or clothing.

#### **When do symptoms start?**

- *For infections of the scalp:* 10 to 14 days after exposure to the infected person or contaminated items.
- *For infections of the skin:* 4 to 10 days after exposure to the infected person or contaminated items.

**Do I need to keep my child home?** Yes. However, your child may stay until the end of the program or school day.

**When can my child return to school/childcare?** Your child can return the day after antifungal treatment has started.