

Measles

As you may be aware, there has been a recent outbreak of Measles in the United States starting in California.

The school district is in communication with Mohave County Health Department, watching for confirmed cases in our community and will notify our families with information relevant to their student's health. So far there have been no confirmed cases of Measles in Lake Havasu.

The symptoms of measles generally appear about 14 days after a person is infected. It can be as soon as 7 days or as late as 21 days.

Measles typically begins with

- high fever- 101 or higher
- cough,
- runny nose (coryza), and
- red, watery eyes ([conjunctivitis](#)).

3-5 days later there will be a dusky red, blotchy rash.

Transmission is from contact with secretions from the nose, mouth and throat of an infected individual. These secretions may be on surfaces or in infected droplets in the air.

If your student has not been vaccinated for Measles and the health department declares an outbreak, your child will not be allowed to attend school for up to 3 weeks or until the risk period ends.

For further information please feel free to contact your school nurse or the Mohave County Health Department at 453-0703. Additional information can be found at:

<http://www.cdc.gov/measles/about/index.html>