Our team at Buckeye Imagination Museum carefully monitors museum facilities around the clock. We work hard to ensure children enjoy play time in a safe and clean environment, and in return expect parents/guardians and caregivers, including teachers, to screen their children/student’s health responsibly before visiting Buckeye Imagination Museum, in addition to monitoring their play responsibly during their visit.

If a child or adult is too sick to attend school or work, they are too sick to visit Buckeye Imagination Museum. In order to provide a healthy and enjoyable environment for all museum guests, and in accordance with guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Association of Children’s Museums, we ask that you refrain from visiting if you or your child have or display any of the following symptoms:

- Flu-like symptoms (headache, high fever, chills, lethargy, muscle aches, cough, sore throat)
- Upper respiratory infections (cough, nasal congestion, runny nose, scratchy throat, painful swallowing, watery eyes – with or without fever)
- Severe cold with sinus drainage
- Fever (in excess of 100.5 degrees)
- Vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Rash of unknown origin
- Strep throat (child must be on antibiotics for 24 hours before coming to the museum)
- Pink eye (Conjunctivitis)
- Impetigo (infectious skin disease)
- Ringworm
- Lice
- Hand, Foot, and Mouth disease
- Scabies
- Any of the following childhood diseases: measles, mumps, rubella, roseola, chicken pox, fifth’s disease, pertussis (whooping cough), croup or any other transmittable disease.

Potentially sick guests will be addressed in a respectful manner, but may be asked to come back and visit Buckeye Imagination Museum at a future date based on observation of the above illnesses/symptoms at the discretion of Buckeye Imagination Museum team members. In addition, organized groups are required to provide signed confirmation that they understand the Buckeye Imagination Museum Sick Guest Policy and will assist us in its implementation.
Everyday preventive actions can help slow the spread of germs that can cause many different illnesses and may offer some protection against flu.

**Everyday preventive actions as recommended by the CDC:**

- Try to avoid close contact with sick people.

- If you begin to feel sick go home as soon as possible. If you or your child gets sick with flu-like illness, CDC recommends that you (or your child) stay home for at least 24 hours after the fever is gone except to get medical care or for other necessities.

- While sick, limit contact with others as much as possible to keep from infecting them.

- Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. After using a tissue, throw it in the trash and wash your hands.

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand rub.

- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth.

- Clean and disinfect surfaces and objects that may be contaminated with germs that can cause respiratory illnesses like flu.