



TICK BITE NOTIFICATION

Lyme Disease Information for Parents

To our knowledge your child did not have any tick bites while at Echo Hill Outdoor School; however, kids engaged in outdoor activity are at risk, and some with Lyme disease do not recall a tick bite. Please watch for signs and symptoms of Lyme disease.

If your child develops symptoms of Lyme disease, please seek medical care promptly. If you have questions contact your local health department.



Early symptoms of Lyme disease (LD) appear 3 to 32 days after the bite of an infected tick.

Some people with Lyme disease will get a typical rash. The rash starts as a small red round area, clears the center giving a "bull's eye appearance", and gets bigger than 2 inches.

Not everyone who has Lyme disease gets a rash. Others may have an atypical rash.

Other symptoms which may occur during the early stage of Lyme disease include:

Chills Fever Headache Tiredness Stiff neck Joint pain or swelling Swollen lymph nodes

LD is usually curable using antibiotics that your health care provider can prescribe. Without treatment, the disease may progress to joint, heart, brain or nerve abnormalities. Swelling and joint pain may recur over many years. The later symptoms may occur in people who did not recognize early symptoms or did not receive early care. If your child has any of these symptoms, or you think your child may have Lyme disease, promptly check with your medical care provider and seek medical care. EARLY MEDICAL CARE IS IMPORTANT!!!