

## COMMON CONCERNS IN SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN

### *Disease:* **Ringworm Body (Tinea Corporis)**

*Symptoms:* Ring-shaped or irregular lesion with elevated vesicular or scaly borders. May show central clearing. May become inflamed and crusted.

*Incubation Period:* 1-3 weeks

*Usual School Action and Comments on Communicability:*

1. Communicable as long as fungi can be recovered.
2. Treated with over the counter antifungal ointment.

*Source of Infection and Mode of Transmission:* Contact with human or animal infected with the fungus or its spores and by contact with contaminated articles.

Note: Children and adolescents should not be given aspirin containing medications unless specifically prescribed by physician. Good hand washing is the best prevention of disease