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.