

COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

The District shall, pursuant to state, federal and local laws and regulations and in cooperation with state and local public health agencies, establish and maintain appropriate health standards for the school environment, promote the good health of students and staff, and educate students and staff in disease prevention methods and sound health practices.

In an effort to maintain a safe and healthful school environment, the District will provide educational opportunities to students and staff regarding measures that can be taken to reduce the risk of contracting or transmitting communicable diseases at school and in school-related activities.

The District recognizes that an individual's health status is personal and private. Therefore, the District will handle information regarding students and staff with suspected or confirmed communicable diseases in accordance with state and federal laws and Board policies and procedures regarding the confidentiality of student and staff records, while at the same time complying with applicable public health reporting requirements.

The Superintendent of Schools or his/her designee serving a school may send home, for the purpose of diagnosis and treatment, any student or staff member suspected of having a communicable disease or of having any other disease or condition having the potential to affect the health of other students and staff including, but not limited to, pediculosis (head lice) and scabies. Students and staff excluded from school pursuant to this policy may appeal their exclusion in accordance with established administrative procedures.

For purposes of this policy, a "communicable disease" is defined as an illness due to a specific infectious agent or its toxic products which arises through transmission of that agent or its products from an infected person, animal or inanimate reservoir to a susceptible host, either directly or indirectly through an intermediate plant or animal host, vector or the inanimate environment.

LEGAL REF.: Sections 111.31 - 111.395 Wisconsin Statutes  
118.01(2)(d)2c  
118.125  
118.13  
118.195  
121.02(1)(i)  
146.81-146.83  
252.15  
252.19  
252.21

ILHR 32 and HSS 145, Wisconsin Administrative Code  
Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990  
Section 504, Rehabilitation Act of 1972  
29 CFR, Part 1910 - Subpart Z

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CROSS REF.: 347-Rule, Guidelines for the Maintenance and Confidentiality of Student Records  
411, Equal Educational Opportunities  
526, Personnel Records  
511, Equal Opportunity Employment  
District Exposure Control Plan

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