

EMPLOYEE COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

The board recognizes its responsibility to provide a clean and healthy environment for the students and school employees.

The determination of whether an infected employee be excluded from work activities shall be made on a case-by-case basis under the direction of the principal/building administrator or designee.

If employment of an infected employee is to be interrupted or discontinued, the employee will be entitled to use available medical leave and receive available benefits.

Public information will not be revealed about the employee who may be infected. If the employee is permitted to remain in the school setting, the following procedure will be followed by the principal/superintendent:

Information will be provided, as appropriate to school employees who have regular contact with the employee, as to the employee's medical condition and other factors needed for consideration in carrying out job responsibilities.

Health guidelines for work attendance are established and interpreted with the context of the case. The guidelines are not inclusive, but are available to be used as a resource. School personnel will refer to health professionals or the State Department of Education for specific judgments in interpreting the guidelines.

Instruction in appropriate handling of blood and body fluids will be provided. Hand washing after contamination, food preparation and health/hygiene care performed in different sink and work areas, maintenance cleaning and other personal hygiene measures are part of creating a healthy environment.

Specific health concerns may require the advisory committee to make a determination on school attendance or participation in school activities.

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