CONTROL OF CASUAL-CONTACT COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

A. The District recognizes that control of the spread of communicable disease through casual contact is essential to the well-being of the school community and to the efficient District operation.

B. For purposes of this policy, "casual-contact communicable disease" shall include diphtheria, scarlet fever and other strep infections, whooping cough, mumps, measles, rubella, and others designated by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services.

C. In order to protect the health and safety of the students, District personnel, and the community at large, the Board shall follow all State statutes and Health Department regulations which pertain to immunization and other means for controlling casual-contact communicable disease spread through normal interaction in the school setting.

D. If a student or staff member exhibits symptoms of a communicable disease, the program administrator will isolate the student or staff member in the building and contact the parents/guardians. Protocols established by the County Health Department shall be followed.

E. The Superintendent shall develop administrative guidelines for the control of communicable disease which shall include:

1. Instruction of professional staff members in the detection of these common diseases and measures for their prevention and control
2. Removal of students from District property to the care of a responsible adult
3. Preparation of standards for the readmission of students who have recovered from casual-contact communicable diseases
4. Filing of reports as required by statute and the State Department of Health and Human Services
5. Removal of infected staff from work environment

LEGAL CITATION: M.C.L. 380.1169; Department of Education Guidelines for Communicable Disease Control

ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION

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