

## **COMMUNICABLE DISEASES**

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The Waunakee Community School District is committed to establishing and maintaining appropriate health standards regarding cases of known or suspected communicable disease, as well as the reporting of disease and disease control.

In an effort to promote the good health of students and staff the school district will provide educational opportunities to students and staff regarding measures that can be taken to reduce the risk of contracting or transmitting communicable disease at school and in school-sponsored activities.

It is the school district's intention to minimize interruptions to learning caused by communicable diseases. Guidelines for inclusion or exclusion from school of students with communicable disease shall consider the educational implications for the student and others with whom he/she comes in contact.

The principal, teacher or health officer, upon notification of the prevalence of a communicable disease in the District, or when the principal, teacher or health officer knows or suspects that a communicable disease is present in the school, shall at once notify the local health officer.

Communicable disease control procedures shall be maintained in cooperation with the Dane County Public Health Nursing Division. Federal and state regulations and guidelines and Centers for Disease Control guidelines shall be followed when considering attendance/exclusion of students or school employees who have a communicable disease. Any principal/designee or nurse serving the school may send home for the purpose of diagnosis and/or treatment any student/employee suspected of having a communicable disease or condition having the potential to affect the health of other students and staff. The student/employee shall remain excluded until such time as it is determined by a health care team that the risk of transmission has subsided. Students excluded from school pursuant to this policy may appeal their exclusion in accordance with established procedures.

In recognition that an individual's health status is personal and private, the school district shall handle information regarding students and staff with suspected or confirmed communicable diseases in accordance with state and federal laws and school district procedures regarding confidentiality of student and staff records, while at the same time complying with applicable public health reporting requirements.

Legal Ref.: Sections 103.15 Wisconsin Statutes  
111.31-111.395  
118.125  
118.13  
118.20  
143.12  
146.81-146.84  
252.15  
252.21

HFS 145  
Americans with Disabilities Act  
Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act

Cross Ref.: 342.2, Homebound Instruction  
347, Student Records  
411, Equal Educational Opportunities  
453.31, Students with AIDS/CMV  
511, Equal Opportunity Employment  
526, Personnel Records  
523.5, Infection Control  
District Exposure Control Plan

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