

## **5130 COMMUNICABLE DISEASES AND HANDLING BODY FLUIDS**

The School District policy regarding reportable communicable disease shall follow Minnesota State Statute 4605.700 through 4735.030, effective June 3, 1985. Non-reportable diseases will follow the Minnesota Department of Public Health recommendations (MCAR 1.322 - Minnesota School Health Guide). This policy applies, generally, to cases, suspected cases, and deaths from communicable diseases and syndromes, as well as reporting of disease and disease control. This policy is exclusive of HIV Infection (see Policy 4065).

Procedures for inclusion or exclusion from school of students with communicable disease will consider the educational implications for the student and others. Current recommendations from the St. Louis County Health Department, the Minnesota Department of Health, the Minnesota Department of Education, and the U. S. Public Health Centers for Disease Control shall be used as guidelines.

Each school shall have readily available in the office the School District's Chart of Information on Communicable Diseases. This chart includes (1) the disease name, (2) symptoms, (3) time from exposure to illness, (4) school action and comments on communicability, and (5) source of infection and how it spreads.

Each school shall also have readily available the School District's Guidelines for Handling Body Fluids in School. These guidelines are intended to provide simple and effective precautions against transmission of disease for all persons potentially exposed to the blood or body fluids of any student.

A copy of the above-mentioned charts and guidelines are available to any interested person simply by contacting the principal or administrator of any school in the School District.

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