POLICY

Board of Trustees Douglas County School District

STUDENTS

CONTROL OF CONTAGIOUS AND INFECTIOUS DISEASES

The Board recognizes that control of the spread of contagious and infectious diseases or other conditions detrimental to health is essential to the well-being of the school community and to the efficient operation of the schools.

The Board shall comply with regulations of the State/County Health Departments regarding the prevention, control and reporting of contagious and infectious diseases or dangers to the health and welfare of students and/or staff.

A principal or other site administrator who knows of, or suspects the presence of, a contagious or infectious disease within a school shall notify the Superintendent who will notify the local Health Authority per Nevada Administrative Code 441a.

On the recommendation of the State/County Health Departments and/or Douglas County School District's chief nurse, administration may isolate, in the school, any student who appears to be ill or has been exposed to a contagious disease. An administrator and/or school nurse will contact the parent or guardian.

The Superintendent shall develop procedures for the control of contagious disease that shall include the detection of disease and measures for its prevention and control. These procedures may include removal from school property to the care of a responsible adult of students identified and excluded in accordance with this policy, the observance of State Health Board standards for the readmission of students who have recovered from contagious diseases, and the filing of reports as required by statute and the state Department of Health.

In making the notification required in this policy, the principal or other site administrator and the Superintendent shall respect the confidentiality of students and take appropriate action to protect confidential health information, including HIPPA and FERPA.

Reference: NRS 392.430, 392.435, NAC 441A Reference: DCSD Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP), Pandemic Protocol

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