

COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

The Board recognizes that controlling the spread of communicable disease through casual contact is essential to the well-being of the school community and to efficient District operation. The Board directs the Superintendent to develop and implement communicable disease management protocols in consultation with health professionals.

In order to protect the health and safety of students and staff, the Board follows all State laws and Ohio Department of Health regulations pertaining to immunizations and other means for controlling communicable diseases that are spread through casual contact in the schools. The Board will not require an individual to receive a vaccine for which the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has not granted full approval, nor will the District discriminate against an individual who has not received a vaccine that has not been granted full FDA approval, including by requiring the individual to engage in or refrain from engaging in activities or precautions that differ from the activities or precautions of an individual who has received such a vaccine.

All students with signs or symptoms of diseases suspected as being communicable to others are given immediate attention and sent home if such action is indicated.

Any student suspected or reported to have a communicable disease is examined by a school nurse or public health nurse. Upon the recommendation of the school nurse, the student may be excluded from school. Readmission is dependent upon a decision by a physician, school nurse, or public health nurse.

Parents are informed when a communicable disease occurs in their child's classroom or on the bus so that early signs or symptoms can be observed and appropriate preventive measures can be instituted.

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