

1 Great Falls School District

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3 **PERSONNEL**

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5 Prevention of Disease Transmission

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7 All District personnel shall be advised of routine procedures to follow in handling body fluids.  
8 These procedures developed in consultation with Great Falls Public Schools medical personnel,  
9 shall provide simple and effective precautions against transmission of diseases to persons  
10 exposed to the blood or body fluids of another. These procedures shall be standard health and  
11 safety practices. No distinction will be made between body fluids from individuals with a known  
12 disease or infection and from individuals without symptoms or with an undiagnosed disease.

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14 Appropriate supplies shall be available to all personnel, including those involved in  
15 transportation and custodial services.

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17 The District shall provide soap and disposable towels or other hand-drying devices shall be  
18 available at all handwashing sinks. Common-use towels are prohibited. Sanitary napkin disposal  
19 shall be provided for girls of age ten or older and in teachers' toilet rooms and nurses' toilet  
20 rooms. The District shall provide either sanitary napkin dispensers in the girls', nurses' and  
21 teachers' toilet rooms or some other readily available on-site access to sanitary napkins.

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23 If a staff member develops symptoms of any reportable communicable or infectious illness while  
24 at school, the responsible school officials shall do the following:

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26 a) Isolate the staff member immediately from students or staff and send home  
27 b) Consult with the local health department to see if further testing or reporting is necessary.

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29 Healthy Hand Hygiene Behavior

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31 All staff and volunteers present in any school building shall engage in hand hygiene at the  
32 following times, which include but are not limited to:

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34 a) Arrival to the facility and after breaks  
35 b) Before and after preparing, eating, or handling food or drinks  
36 c) Before and after administering medication or screening temperature  
37 d) After coming in contact with bodily fluid  
38 e) After recess  
39 f) After handling garbage  
40 g) After assisting students with handwashing  
41 h) After use of the restroom

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43 Hand hygiene include but is not limited to washing hands with soap and water for at least 20  
44 seconds. If hands are not visibly dirty, alcohol-based hand sanitizers with at least 60% alcohol  
45 can be used if soap and water are not readily available.

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1 Staff members shall supervise students when they use hand sanitizer and soap to prevent  
2 ingestion. Staff members shall place grade level appropriate posters describing handwashing  
3 steps near sinks.  
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5 Confidentiality  
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7 This policy in no way limits or adjusts the District’s obligations to honor staff privacy rights. All  
8 applicable district policies and handbook provision governing confidentiality of staff medical  
9 information remain in full effect.  
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11 Legal Reference:

12 51-1-206, MCA	Regulations of Schools in Matters of Health
13 37.111.825 ARM	Health Supervision and Maintenance
14 37.114.101, et seq., ARM	Communicable Disease Control

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16 Policy History:

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