

4.14 -- COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

Numerous communicable diseases may affect a school-age population and/or school staff. Some of these diseases have a high degree of communicability. Some are life threatening in nature, some are both. Depending on the degree of communicability and the life threatening nature of the disease, exclusion from school will be mandatory in order to protect the health and general welfare of the school population.

Any staff member who has knowledge of a student who has or has been exposed to a communicable, contagious and/or infectious disease will immediately inform the building administrator as to the identity of the person and all other information related to this situation. If in the judgment of the administrator there is danger of communicating the diseases to others the building administrator will take measures to immediately exclude the person from school and may require a release statement from a Medical Doctor, the School Nurse or local Health Official for re-admittance.

Every effort to protect the confidentiality of affected persons will be made and the identity of students will not be released to the public. The Board directs the Superintendent to develop administrative regulations for implementing this policy and an appeals process.