

Category: 8000 - Students	Policy Number: 8445
Policy Title: COMMUNICABLE DISEASES AND LIFE-THREATENING ILLNESSES	Effective Date: November 11, 2003
<p>Communicable Disease:</p> <p>It is the responsibility of the District to meet Idaho State requirements and regulations with regard to the control of communicable diseases in school settings. It is also the responsibility of the District to protect the rights of employees and students who may be infected with a communicable disease.</p> <p>A communicable disease shall be any illness or condition which is defined as such by the state in Idaho Administrative Procedures Act (IDAPA 16.02.1000 et.seq.); see procedure for list. The District will consult with the local/district health department and follow recommended guidelines specific to each reportable disease concerning exclusion and treatment contacts.</p> <p>Students are expected to be in compliance with the required immunization. The building principals may exclude children from school attendance who are out of compliance with the immunizations required by law.</p> <p>The superintendent or designee shall determine the need to exclude from school students with contagious or infectious diseases who are diagnosed or , students suspected of having a contagious or infectious disease or, students who are not immune and have been exposed to a contagious or infectious disease. The superintendent or designee is delegated power to exclude from school students with contagious or infectious diseases and to close school on order of the State Board of Health or local health authorities.</p> <p>When a student or staff member is known to have a communicable disease or infection that is not spread by casual contact, i.e. AIDS, Hepatitis B and other like diseases, the decision as to whether the affected person will remain in the school setting will be addressed on a case-by-case basis by a review panel and medical officials to ensure due process of the law.</p> <p>Life-Threatening Illness:</p> <p>It is the District’s further responsibility to protect the rights of students and employees who may or may not be infected with a communicable disease, but who have life-threatening illnesses.</p> <p>The district recognizes that students and employees with life-threatening illnesses including, but not limited to, cancer, heart disease and AIDS, may desire to continue to engage in as many of their normal pursuits as their condition allows, including school and work. As long as such students and employees are able to attend school and/or perform essential job functions to acceptable standards and medical evidence indicates that their conditions are not a direct threat to themselves or others, they will be encouraged to continue school attendance and/or work.</p> <p>Confidentiality:</p> <p>All persons privileged with any medical information that pertains to students or staff members shall be required to treat all proceedings, discussions and documents confidentially.</p> <p>References: Procedure 8445p1, “Reportable and Restricted Communicable Diseases” Policy 8442, “Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS)” Policy 8448, “Head Lice” with procedure 8448p Policy 8101, “Immunizations”</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Snake River School District 52, 103 South 900 West, Blackfoot, Idaho 83221</p>	

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IDAPA 16.02.10.03. School Reportable and Restricted Diseases

School reportable and restricted diseases are those diseases that are readily transmissible among students and staff in schools.

I. Examples of school restricted diseases that are reportable include, but are not limited to:

1. Diphtheria
2. Measles
3. Mumps
4. Meningitis
5. Pertussis (Whooping Cough)
6. Plague (Anything that is spreading)
7. Rubella
8. Shigellosis (Diarrhea)
9. Streptococcus (Rheumatic Fever)
10. Tuberculosis (Active)

II. Examples of school restricted diseases that are not reportable include, but are not limited to:

1. Chickenpox
2. Conjunctivitis (Pink Eye)
3. Cutaneous Fungal Infections
4. Pediculosis (Head and Body Lice)
5. Scabies (Sexual)
6. Staphylococcal skin infections
7. Streptococcal Pharyngeal infections

Any person who is diagnosed to have a school restricted disease shall not attend any private, parochial, or public school, or engage in any occupation that involves direct contact with students, as long as the disease is in a communicable stage.

A licensed physician, public health nurse, school nurse or other person authorized by the Department of H&W may determine when a person with a school restricted disease can no longer transmit the disease to others.