

CHAPTER 5.00 – STUDENTS

GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES CONCERNING HIV, AIDS, OR OTHER COMMUNICABLE DISEASES (STUDENTS AND EMPLOYEES)

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1. It is the School Board's intent to protect employees and students from exposure to infectious diseases and from risk occasioned by infectious diseases and environmental hazards and to provide reasonable accommodations to infected students and employees.
2. It is recognized that HIV-positive employees who are not debilitated or exhibiting symptoms that would facilitate transmission of the virus will remain in their current jobs if conditions permit.
3. Reasonable accommodations are available to HIV positive employees.
4. It is recognized that students with any illness, including HIV infected persons, may continue to attend school as long as academic, behavioral, and medical evidence indicates that their condition is not a threat to themselves or to others. If it becomes necessary, reasonable accommodations within the school setting shall be made, or an alternative educational services delivery shall be implemented.
5. All information regarding such matters shall be held in strict confidence and released only to those who have a legitimate need to know.
6. School Board employees shall receive and review procedures governing Hepatitis B infection, HIV, AIDS, bloodborne pathogens, other communicable disease, and environmental hazards.
7. Staff members shall cooperate with public health authorities by practicing and promoting standard precautions, as deemed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Procedures for dealing with students who pose a threat of transmitting a bloodborne health condition are contained in the *Health Services Manual*.

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