COMMUNICABLE DISEASE CONTROL

The District shall make every effort possible to safeguard pupils from exposure to communicable diseases while in school or engaged in school activities. Any pupil identified as having a communicable disease or the signs/symptoms of communicable disease, shall be given immediate attention and temporarily excluded from school if deemed necessary. Pupils identified as having venereal disease or pediculosis shall be bound by additional guidelines.

Venereal Disease. Any pupil identified as a contact by the Center for Disease Control shall be required to communicate with the appropriate health officials.

Pediculosis. Pupils identified as having lice shall be sent home and not readmitted to school until all lice and nits have been removed.

The afflicted pupil's teacher(s) shall develop an appropriate individualized instructional plan so that the pupil, though excluded, may still progress as if he/she were attending school.

A pupil shall be readmitted to school upon the presentation of a physician's certificate that the pupil is free from communicable disease. If there is a question regarding the physician's certificate, the school physician/nurse shall decide the validity of the certificate and/or the admissibility of the pupil. This decision may be appealed to the Chief Executive Officer.

Parent(s)/guardian(s) are informed when a communicable disease occurs in their child's classroom or school bus so that early signs or symptoms can be observed and appropriate preventative measures can be instituted.

The District, shall cooperate with the Cleveland Health Department, the Ohio Department of Health, the County Tuberculosis Clinic, and the Center for Disease Control in the control of communicable diseases. Each identification of a communicable disease shall be reported to the appropriate Health Department.
LEGAL REFERENCES

ORC 3313.67; 3313.68, 3313.71
3319.321; 3701.3
3701.24; 3707.04; 3707.06; 3707.08; 3707.26

CROSS REFERENCES

JE, Student Attendance