

Superintendent File: EBBA

PREVENTION OF DISEASE/INFECTION TRANSMISSION

Management of Communicable Diseases

Management of common communicable diseases will be in accordance with Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment or Tri-County Health Department guidelines. A student who exhibits symptoms of a readily-transmissible communicable disease may be temporarily excluded from school attendance. Efforts to mitigate the transmission of communicable diseases shall be implemented by the District to further and protect the health, safety, and welfare of students and staff.

Handling Bodily Fluids

All District personnel shall be advised of routine procedures to follow in handling body fluids. These procedures shall provide simple and effective precautions against transmission of diseases to persons potentially exposed to the body fluids or substances of another. Because infectious agents may be present in body substances regardless of whether there are recognizable symptoms, these procedures shall be standard health and safety practices. No distinction shall be made between body fluids and substances from individuals with a known disease and individuals without symptoms or with an undiagnosed disease.

The administration shall develop, in consultation with medical personnel, regulations to be distributed to all staff on a regular basis. Under no circumstances shall students be asked or allowed to clean up body fluids except their own and then only when appropriate. All incidents where body fluids are involved must be attended to immediately by a District employee or designated representative who follows the infection control practices as outlined in EBBA-R. District employees shall contact the Nursing Services coordinator or the school nurse should they have any questions regarding these practices or if they require further information.

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GBGA, Staff Health

JLCC, Communicable Diseases and Long-Term Illnesses