Communicable Diseases

Medical information of students and employees is highly confidential, and the District will take necessary steps to protect the medical information of individuals, except as provided by law on a need to know basis.

Employees are not allowed to work if they have a medical condition that is communicable, unless they have a written statement from their physician clearing them to work, and the appropriate school personnel have agreed with the precautionary measures, as necessary, offered by the treating physician, as permitted by law.

Students with a communicable disease that exhibit behaviors that increase the chances of their condition being spread to other individuals, may be disciplined according to the student discipline policy, and state and federal law. Parents/guardians will notify District personnel about students with a communicable disease, and provide the written approval from the treating physician for the student to attend school. The District reserves the right to prevent student attendance until clarification or implementation of precautionary measures are in place, as permitted by law.

Parents or guardians are required to notify the District if they are enrolling or have a student attending school that is HIV infected. The District is entitled to notification from the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services regarding a District student that is infected with a communicable disease, including HIV.

The Superintendent or designee will work with local and the State Health Department on identifying categories of potential risk, procedures for cleaning body fluids, and procedures for dealing with communicable disease in individuals. District funds will be utilized for the purchase of equipment and supplies necessary to appropriately clean body fluids. The Superintendent or designee is permitted to communicate personally identifiable health information of students and employees with other governmental agencies, as permitted by law.

Students, employees and visitors to schools may not be present on school property unless they have received the appropriate immunizations required by law, unless they are appropriately exempted.