

Alloway Township Board of Education District Policy Manual

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Communicable Diseases

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Control of Contagious/Infectious Diseases

In order to protect the health of the children in district schools, all regulations of the state department of education, the state department of health and local Board of health shall be scrupulously observed, particularly those dealing with contagious/infectious diseases.

Any pupils returning to school after an absence due to contagious/infectious disease must present a certificate from a licensed physician stating that he/she is free from the disease, or otherwise qualify for admission under the above agencies rules pertaining to periods of incubation, communicability, quarantine and reporting.

The School Nurse shall cooperate with the school doctor in instructing all teachers in the symptoms of the most common diseases at least once a year. The diseases to be covered in this instruction shall include but not be limited to:

Chicken Pox	Acquired Immune Deficiency	Small Pox
Mumps	Syndrome	Hepatitis
Poliomyelitis	Petussis (whooping cough)	Rubella
Diphtheria	Typhoid Fever	Strop infections,
Salmonellosis	Measles	including Scarlet
		Fever, sore throat and
		Erysipelas

In addition to the annual review of health and safety measures required by law, the School Nurse shall individually instruct teachers from whose classrooms a pupil has been excluded in the symptoms of the disease for which the pupil has been excluded. The School Nurse shall examine the classmates of the excluded pupil as soon as the disease is diagnosed.

Teachers shall not attempt to diagnose any illness of a pupil, but shall refer all illness to the School Nurse immediately.

The Superintendent/designee, in cooperation with the school doctor, shall develop procedures and programs to implement this policy. The school doctor shall report all cases of communicable disease to the local Board of health as required by law.

No ill pupil shall be identified by name or address in order to preserve confidentiality.

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Legal References

- NJSA 18A:16-6, -6.1 Indemnity of officers and employees against civil actions ...
18A:35-4.6 et seq. Parents Right to Conscience Act of 1979
18A:40-1 Employment of medical inspectors, optometrists and nurses; salaries;
terms; rules
18A:40-3 Lectures to teachers
18A:40-4.3 Scoliosis; periodic examination; notice to parents or guardian
18A:40-5 Method of examination; notice to parent or guardian
18A:40-6 In general
18A:40-7, -8, -10, -11 Exclusion of pupils who are ill ...
18A:40-23 et seq. Nursing Services for Nonpublic School Pupils
18A:40A-1 et seq. Substance Abuse
44:6-2 Maintenance by boards of education of clinics for indigent children
- NJAC 6A:16-1.1 et seq. Programs to Support Student Development
8:57-1.1 et seq. Reportable Communicable Diseases
8:57-2 Reporting of AIDS and HIV
8:61-1.1 Attendance at school by pupils or adults Infected by Human
Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV)
- Plainfield v. Cooperman, 105 NJ 587 (1987)

Possible Cross References

1410, 1420, 3510, 3516, 3542, 4112.4, 4131/4131.1, 4151, 4212.4, 4251.2, 5111,
5125, 5131, 5131.6, 5141.1, 5141.2, 5141.3, 5141.4, 5141.21, 5142, 5200