

COMMUNICABLE DISEASE

- A. The School District of New London shall cooperate with state and local public health officials in establishing appropriate health standards for the school environment, promoting the good health of students and staff, and educating students and staff in disease prevention methods and sound health practices. State and federal laws and local ordinances related to communicable disease reporting and control shall be followed.
- B. In an effort to maintain a safe and healthful school environment, the district shall provide information to students and staff regarding measures that can be taken to reduce the risk of contracting or transmitting communicable diseases at school and during school-related activities. District employees shall receive specific training regarding the District's Exposure Control Plan and will be expected to comply with provisions of the plan when they are exposed to blood or other potentially infectious agents or materials.
- C. The School District of New London recognizes that an individual's health status is personal and private. Therefore, the district shall handle information regarding students and district employees with suspected or confirmed communicable diseases confidentially in accordance with state and federal laws and Board policies governing the confidentiality of student and staff health records.
- D. Students and district employees may be excluded from school and/or school related-activities if they are suspected of or diagnosed as having a communicable disease, including any disease identified within the Wisconsin Childhood Communicable Disease Chart that is published by the Department of Health Services or any other disease expressly defined or identified as communicable by a public health agency, that poses a significant health risk to others or that renders them unable to adequately perform their jobs or pursue their studies. Such decisions will be made on an individual basis and in consultation with one or more health care professionals. Students and employees excluded from school pursuant to this policy may appeal their exclusion as set forth in the administrative procedures implementing this policy.
- E. Schools may be closed for public health reasons by order of a public health officer or agency or as determined to be necessary by the District Administrator.

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CROSS-REFERENCE: Administrative Guideline
Wisconsin Communicable Disease Control Measures

LEGAL REFERENCE: Wisconsin Statutes Section 103.15, Section 111.31,
Section 115.01(10), Section 118.01(2)(d)2c, Section
118.07(3), Section 118.125, Section 118.13, Section
118.15(3)(a), Section 118.195, Section 121.02(1)(i),
Sections 146.81 – 146.83, Section 252.04, Section 252.15,
Section 252.19, Section 252.21
Wisconsin Administrative Code DHS 145, DHS 145 –
Appendix A, SPS 332.50
Federal Laws 29 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part
1910 □ Subpart Z, Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990,
Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973