

JLCC Communicable Diseases

COMMUNICABLE/INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Staff shall be alert to signs of illness and communicable/infectious disease and refer students who such symptoms to the school nurse.

The school nurse shall be responsible for notifying the local health department or Maine CDC of all students having a communicable disease as required by law and Department of Education/Department of Health and Human Services rules. The building administrator shall be notified of all communicable disease cases and contacts in the school.

Any student for whom the Maine CDC has prescribed isolation shall be excluded from school and school activities.

Students who have other types of communicable diseases shall be excluded from school as prescribed by law, or shall observe other protective procedures according to recommendations issued by the physician or local health department.

Medical clearance may be required for a student returning to school after having a communicable disease. The building principal and/or the school nurse must give permission before the student is readmitted to school.

Legal Reference: 5, MRSA, Sec. 19201 et seq. 22, MRSA, Sec. 801, 802, 806, 823, 824, 1016 20-A MRSA, Sec. 1001(11)(A), 6301*

Cross Reference: School Health Manual Guidelines for communicable disease in school setting
Policy JLCB Immunization Requirements for Students Notifiable conditions- MeCDC

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This is a required policy.

*11-A. Exposure to communicable disease. They shall adopt a policy for enforcement by the superintendent to safeguard the health of any student or employee who has contracted or been exposed to a communicable disease, in accordance with sections 6301, 6351-A and 6551, and Title 22, chapter 251. [1983, c. 661, §2 (NEW).]

