Tahoe Truckee USD Board Policy

Infectious Diseases

BP 5141.22 Students

The Governing Board desires to protect students from risks posed by exposure to infectious diseases while providing an appropriate<u>a high-quality</u> education for all students. –The Board-recognizes that <u>Superintendent</u> Chief Learning Officer <u>or designee shall collaborate with local</u> and state health officials to develop and regularly update a comprehensive plan for disease prevention and that promotes preventative measures, mitigation, education are the most effective means, communication, and training of limitingstudents and staff. All measures to limit the spread of infectious diseases <u>shall be nondiscriminatory and ensure that equity is promoted</u>.

Infectious Disease Prevention

The Superintendent Chief Learning Officer or designee shall collaborate with parents/guardiansand local health agencies and organizations to develop a comprehensive approach to diseaseprevention that promotes preventative measures and education of students and staff.

(cf. 1020 - Youth Services)

(cf. 0400 - Comprehensive Plans)

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)

<u>(cf. 0415 - Equity)</u>

(cf. 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan)

(cf. 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures)

(cf. 1400 - Relations Between Other Governmental Agencies and the Schools)

(cf. 3516 - Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan)

(cf. 5141.21 - Administering Medication and Monitoring Health Conditions)

- (cf. 5141.26 Tuberculosis Testing)
- (cf. 5141.3 Health Examinations)
- (cf. 5141.31 Immunizations)
- (cf. 5141.32 Health Screening for School Entry)
- (cf. 5141.6 School Health Services)

(cf. 5145.3 - Nondiscrimination/Harassment)

(cf. 6020 - Parent Involvement)

The Superintendent Chief Learning Officer or designee shall regularly review resources

available from health experts to ensure that district programs <u>and operations</u> are based on the most up-to-date information.

The Superintendent Chief Learning Officer or designee shall ensure that the <u>The</u> district's comprehensive health education program <u>providesshall provide age-appropriate</u> information about the <u>preventionnature and symptoms</u> of <u>infectiouscommunicable</u> diseases, <u>including thenature of bloodborne pathogens and their transmission</u>, as well as information<u>and how</u> to help prevent the spread of contagious diseases, such as a pandemic influenza. He/she shall alsoensure that each school has sufficient infection prevention supplies that are easily accessible to staff.

(cf. 6142.1 - Sexual Health and HIV/AIDS Prevention Instruction) (cf. 6142.8 - Comprehensive Health Education)

Universal Precautions

If the local health officer notifies the district of an outbreak of a communicable disease, or the imminent and proximate threat of a communicable disease outbreak or epidemic that threatens the public's health, the district shall take any action that the health officer deems necessary to control the spread of the disease. The district shall comply with all applicable state and federal privacy laws in regard to any such information received from the local health officer. (Health and Safety Code 120175.5)

Students and staff shall observe universal precautions in order to prevent exposure to bloodborne pathogens and to prevent the spread of infectious diseases.

(cf. 4119.42/4219.42/4319.42 - Exposure Control Plan for Bloodborne Pathogens) (cf. 4119.43/4219.43/4319.43 - Universal Precautions)

The Superintendent Chief Learning Officer or designee shall inform students of the precautions to be used in cases of exposure to blood or other body fluids through injury, accident, or classroom instruction.

(cf. 5141 - Health Care and Emergencies) (cf. 6145.2 - Athletic Competition)

Students with Infectious Diseases

The Superintendent Chief Learning Officer or designee shall exclude students from on-campus instruction only in accordance with law, Board policy, and administrative regulation. Because

bloodborne pathogens such as hepatitis B virus, hepatitis C virus, and human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) are not casually transmitted, the presence of infectious conditions of this type is not, by itself, sufficient reason to exclude students from attending school.

(cf. 5112.2 - Exclusions from Attendance)

(cf. 6164.6 - Identification and Education Under Section 504)

Parents/guardians are encouraged to inform the Superintendent Chief Learning Officer or designee if their child has an infectious disease so that school staff may work cooperatively with the student's parents/guardians to minimize the child's exposure to other diseases in the school setting. If necessary, the Superintendent Chief Learning Officer or designee shall inform the local health official of any potential outbreak. The Superintendent Chief Learning Officer or designee shall ensure that student confidentiality and privacy rights are strictly observed in accordance with law.

(cf. 4119.23/4219.23/4319.23 - Unauthorized Release of Confidential/Privileged Information) (cf. 5022 - Student and Family Privacy Rights) (cf. 5125 - Student Records)

Legal Reference: EDUCATION CODE 48210-48216 Persons excluded 49060-49069.7 Student records 49073-49079 Privacy of pupil records 49403 Cooperation in control of communicable disease and immunization of pupils 49405 Smallpox control 49406 Examination for tuberculosis (employees) 49408 Information of use in emergenciesStudent emergency information 49602 ConfidentialityCounseling and confidentiality of student information 51202 Instruction in personal and public health and safety **CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION** Article 1, Section 1 Right to Privacy CIVIL CODE 56-56.37 Confidentiality of Medical Information Act 1798-1798.7678 Information Practices Act HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE 120175.5 Local health officers and communicable diseases 120230 Exclusion for communicable disease 120325-120380 Immunization against communicable diseases 120875-120895 AIDS information

120975-121022121023 Mandated blood testing and confidentiality to protect public health 121475-121520 Tuberculosis tests for pupils students **CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION** Article 1, Section 1 Right to Privacy CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 8 5193 California bloodborneBloodborne pathogens-standard CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 17 2500-2511 Communicable disease reporting requirements **UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20** 1232g Family Educational and Privacy Rights Act 1400-1482 Individuals with Disabilities Education Act **UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 29** 794 Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 45 164.500-164.534 Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) Privacy of individually identifiable health information COURT DECISIONS Thomas v. Atascadero Unified School District, (19871986) 662 F.Supp. 376

Management Resources:

CSBACALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS Saving Lives: AIDS IssuesScience Safety Handbook for California Public Schools-1994, rev. 2006, 2014 AvianU.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES PUBLICATIONS School District (K-12) Pandemic Influenza, Governance and Policy Services Fact Sheet, April-2006 Planning Checklist

WEB SITES

CSBA: http://www.csba.org

California Department of Education: http://www.cde.ca.gov

California Department of Public Health: http://www.cdph.ca.gov

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: http://www.cdc.gov

Contra Costa County Office of Education, Pandemic Flu Resources:-

http://www.cccoe.k12.ca.us/about/flu/resources_flu_action_kit

U.S. Government Pandemic Flu Information: http://www.pandemicflu.gov

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