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## **BOARD POLICY 453.3**

## 453.3 - <u>Communicable Diseases</u>

Communicable disease control procedures shall be established by the School District and those procedures shall be coordinated with the Jefferson County Public Health Department. Any District employee who knows or suspects that a communicable disease is present in the School District shall notify the appropriate School District official as identified in the administrative rule. All information recorded under this policy shall remain confidential except as needed for the purpose of investigation, control or prevention of communicable diseases to the extent permitted by state law and Board policy.

The School District of Fort Atkinson, pursuant to federal, state and local laws and regulations, and in cooperation with state and local public health agencies shall establish and maintain appropriate health standards regarding cases of known or suspected communicable diseases, as well as the reporting of disease and disease control.

In an effort to promote the good health of students and staff the district will provide educational opportunities to students, staff, and parent(s)/guardian(s) regarding measures that can be taken to reduce the risk of contracting or transmitting communicable diseases at school and *in* school-sponsored activities.

It is the District's intention to minimize interruptions to learning caused by communicable diseases. Guidelines for inclusion or exclusion from school of students with communicable disease shall consider the educational implications for the student and others with whom he/she comes in contact.

Students and volunteers Individuals may be excluded from school and/or school-related activities if they are suspected of or diagnosed as having a communicable disease, as defined by the Wisconsin Department of Health Services, that poses a significant health risk to others or that renders them unable to adequately perform their jobs or pursue their studies.

The Wisconsin Department of Health Services chart "Wisconsin Childhood Communicable Diseases" available at <u>Chart</u> (<u>https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/publications/p4/p44397.pdf</u>) will serve as an <u>information guide</u>reference for the District's response to communicable diseases. The chart will be available in school health offices.

In recognition that an individual's health status is personal and private, the District shall handle information regarding students with suspected or confirmed communicable diseases in accordance with state and federal laws and School District of Fort Atkinson policies and procedures regarding confidentiality of student records, while at the same time complying with applicable public health reporting requirements.

Legal Ref.: -Sections <u>121.01(1)(g)</u>, <u>252.15</u>, <u>252.21</u> 103.15, 111.34, 118.01(2)(d)2c, 118.125, 118.13, 118.195, 118.25 121.02(1)(i), 140.05, 146.82-146.83, 178.01(2)(d)2c, Wisconsin Statutes

PI 8.02(2)(g), Wisconsin Administrative Code

Cross Ref.: Administrative Rule 453.3 - <u>Communicable Diseases</u> Board Policy - <u>453.31 Control and Treatment of Head Lice/Nits</u> Administrative Rule - 453.31 - <u>Control and Treatment of Head</u> <u>Lice/Nits</u> Board Policy 347 - <u>Student Records</u> www.fortschools.org/boardpolicies



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## Administrative Rule 347 - Student Records

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