

**Linn Benton Lincoln Education
Service District**

Code: **GBEB**
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Communicable Diseases in Schools

The ESD shall provide reasonable protection against the risk of exposure to communicable disease for students and employees while engaged in the performance of their duties. Reasonable protection from communicable disease is generally attained through immunization, exclusion or other measures provided for by Oregon law, by the local health department or in *Communicable Disease Guidance for Schools* published by the Oregon Department of Education (ODE) and the Oregon Health Authority (OHA).

Employees shall comply with all other measures adopted by the ESD and with all rules adopted by the Oregon Health Authority, Public Health Division and local health department.

An employee or student may not attend work or school, respectively, while in a communicable stage of a restrictable disease or when an administrator has reason to suspect that the employee or student has or has been exposed to any disease for which exclusion is required in accordance with law and per administrative regulation GBEB-AR - Communicable Diseases in Schools. The ESD may provide an educational program in an alternative setting. Services will be provided to students as required by law. If the disease is a reportable disease, the administrator will report the occurrence to the local health department.

Employees shall provide services to students as required by law. In cases when a restrictable or reportable disease is diagnosed and confirmed for a student, the administrator shall inform the appropriate employees with a legitimate educational interest to protect against the risk of exposure.

Employees, who have the responsibility to work with or to provide services to persons other than students, shall provide the services to all such persons as required by law.

The ESD shall protect the confidentiality of an employee's and student's health condition and record to the extent possible and consistent with federal and state law. In cases when a restrictable or reportable disease is diagnosed and confirmed for a student, the administrator may inform employees with a legitimate educational interest.

The Superintendent will develop administrative regulations necessary to implement this policy.

The ESD will include, as part of its general emergency plans, a description of the actions to be taken by the ESD staff in buildings and by the ESD in response to medical emergencies.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

Communicable Diseases in Schools- GBEB

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[ORS 334.125](#)
[ORS 431.150 - 431.157](#)

[ORS 433.001 - 433.004](#)
[ORS 433.235 - 433.284](#)
[ORS 433.010](#)
[ORS 433.110](#)

[OAR 581-024-0280](#)
[OAR 333-018](#)
[OAR 333-019-0010](#)
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[OAR 581-022-2220](#)
[OAR 581-022-2225](#)
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Oregon Department of Education and Oregon Health Authority, Communicable Disease Guidance for Schools (2023)
Family Education Rights of Privacy Act of 1974, 20 U.S.C. 1232g (2017); Family education and Rights of Privacy, 34 C.F.R
Part 99 (2023)
Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, 42 U.S.C. §§ 1320d to -1320d-8 (2018); 45 C.F.R. Parts 160, 164 (2023).