

Christ the Teacher Catholic Schools

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

SECTION:	100 – GENERAL ADMINISTRATION	CODE:	AP 161
PROCEDURE:	COMMUNICABLE DISEASES		

BACKGROUND

The Division is committed to the compassionate and responsible treatment of individuals with communicable diseases and recognizes that the Medical Officer of Health has the sole responsibility for identifying a situation as one of risk. When such a situation is identified by the Medical Officer of Health, the Director or designate will work with him/her to determine an appropriate course of action.

PROCEDURES

1. Where a teacher receives information that a student has a communicable or notifiable disease, the teacher must inform only his/her principal, who will then inform Public Health and the Director/designate.
2. When a teacher is aware that he/she has a communicable or notifiable disease, he/she is required to report that condition to Public Health and the Director/designate.
3. Any information about a communicable or notifiable disease must be kept in the strictest of confidence. The principal may, under the guidance of Public Health, share any non-identifiable information with parents/guardians information that Public Health deems important.
4. School personnel and students shall adopt and follow good hygiene practices when dealing with blood or bodily fluids to minimize the risk of transmitting any infection.
5. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Division will maintain all the rights and responsibilities as set forth by the Education Act and related Division administrative procedures.
6. The appendix to Administrative Procedure 160 – Hygienic Practices When Handling Body Fluids provides suggestions with regard to the cleaning of bodily fluids.

Reference: Sections 85, 87, 108, 109, 141, 175, 178, 227, 231 Education Act
Public Health Act

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