## **CHAPTER 5.00 – STUDENTS**

## STUDENTS WITH AIDS OR COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

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- (1) It is the School Board's intent to protect employees and students from exposure to infectious diseases and from risk occasioned by infectious diseases and environmental hazards and to provide reasonable accommodations to infected students.
- (2) It is recognized that students with any illness, including (HIV) infected persons, may continue to attend school as long as academic, behavioral, and medical evidence indicates that their condition is not a threat to themselves or to others. If it becomes necessary, reasonable accommodations within the school setting shall be made, or an alternative educational services delivery shall be implemented.
- (3) All information regarding such matters shall be held in strict confidence and released only to those who have a legitimate need to know.
- (4) School Board employees shall receive and review procedures governing immunization against Hepatitis B infection, HIV, AIDS, blood-borne pathogens, other communicable disease, and environmental hazards.
- (5) Staff members shall cooperate with public health authorities by practicing and promoting "universal precautions," as deemed by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC). Procedures for dealing with students who pose a threat of transmitting a blood-borne health condition are contained in the Blood-borne Pathogens Training Manual.

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