

Regulation 5141.22: Infectious Diseases

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Prevention and Mitigation Plan

The Superintendent or designee shall work with state and local health officials to develop and regularly update a plan to prevent and mitigate the spread of infectious diseases. Components of the plan may include, but are not necessarily limited to:

1. A communication strategy for informing students, parents/guardians, staff, and the community about the disease(s), including symptoms, complications, transmission, and current recommendations from state and local departments of public health
2. Protocols for assessing when campus closures are necessary and when campus(es) may reopen
3. Alternative means of instruction, schedules, and attendance, including the provision of instruction to students with disabilities, English learners, and foster or homeless youth, in the event of campus closures or partial closures
4. Guidelines regarding preventative measures such as social distancing, personal protective equipment, temperature checks, and/or any other health screening allowed by law
5. Protocols regarding the acquisition and provision of personal protective equipment and other supplies
6. Procedures for the cancellation or alteration of extracurricular activities and field trips
7. Protocols for transportation of students using district vehicles
8. Information on effective hygiene practices
9. Provisions for continuing free and reduced-price meal services
10. Processes for protecting students who are at higher risk from the disease
11. Programs that enhance a positive school climate and foster the emotional well-being of all students
12. Guidelines for cleaning and sanitization of district facilities and equipment
13. Protocols for visitors and outside groups that utilize district facilities
14. Staff training

The Superintendent or designee shall immediately report to the local health officer the presence or suspected presence of any communicable disease. (17 CCR 2508)

Universal Precautions in the Classroom

Before students work with blood, blood products, or other body fluids, the teacher shall explain the potentially hazardous nature of blood and body fluids in the transmission of various agents from one person to another and the specific procedures and safety precautions to be used in the lesson.

The following precautions shall be used when students are working with blood or other body fluids:

1. Before and after exposure to blood or other body fluids, students shall wash their hands with soap and water and cover any existing cut, wound, or open sore with a sterile dressing.
2. Students shall wear gloves or other personal protective equipment as appropriate.
3. Blood typing or similar experiments may be conducted by teacher demonstrations. When being performed individually, students shall work with their own blood or use prepackaged ABO/Rh blood cell kits that have vials of blood previously tested for transmissible agents.
 - a. For finger punctures, students shall use individual sterile lancets that have engineered sharps injury protection and shall not reuse them.
 - b. Before the finger is punctured, it shall be wiped with a piece of cotton that has been immersed in alcohol.
 - c. If bleeding persists after the finger is punctured, the student shall apply a sterile bandage using moderate pressure.
4. Lancets and any other materials contaminated with blood or body fluids shall be discarded into a solution consisting of one part bleach to 10 parts water (1:10), made fresh daily.
5. At the end of the class, surfaces shall be wiped with alcohol or a solution of one part bleach to 10 parts water.

Policy Reference Disclaimer:

These references are not intended to be part of the policy itself, nor do they indicate the basis or authority for the board to enact this policy. Instead, they are provided as additional resources for those interested in the subject matter of the policy.

State	Description
17 CCR 2500-2511	Communicable disease reporting requirements
8 CCR 5193	Bloodborne pathogens
CA Constitution Article 1, Section 1	Right to Privacy
Civ. Code 1798-1798.78	Information Practices Act
Civ. Code 56-56.37	Confidentiality of medical information
Ed. Code 48210-48216	Persons excluded
Ed. Code 49060-49069.7	Student records
Ed. Code 49073-49079	Privacy of student records

Ed. Code 49403	Cooperation in control of communicable disease and immunizations
Ed. Code 49405	Smallpox control
Ed. Code 49406	TB risk assessment
Ed. Code 49408	Student emergency information
Ed. Code 49602	Counseling and confidentiality of student information
Ed. Code 51202	Instruction in personal and public health and safety
H&S Code 120175.5	Local health officers and communicable diseases
H&S Code 120230	Exclusion for communicable disease
H&S Code 120325-120380	Immunization against communicable diseases
H&S Code 120875-120895	AIDS information
H&S Code 120975-121023	Mandated blood testing and confidentiality to protect public health
H&S Code 121475-121520	Tuberculosis tests for students
Federal	Description
20 USC 1232g	Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) of 1974
20 USC 1400-1482	Individuals with Disabilities Education Act
29 USC 794	Rehabilitation Act of 1973; Section 504
45 CFR 164.500-164.534	Privacy of individually identifiable health information
Management Resources	Description
California Department of Education Publication	Science Safety Handbook for California Public Schools, 2014
Court Decision	Thomas v. Atascadero Unified School District (1986) 662 F.Supp. 376
U.S. Dept. of Health & Human Services Publication	School District (K-12) Pandemic Influenza Planning Checklist
Website	CSBA District and County Office of Education Legal Services
Website	California Department of Education
Website	California Department of Public Health
Website	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Cross References

Code	Description
0400	Comprehensive Plans
0410	Nondiscrimination In District Programs And Activities
0415	Equity
0450	Comprehensive Safety Plan
0450	Comprehensive Safety Plan
1312.3	Uniform Complaint Procedures
1312.3	Uniform Complaint Procedures
1312.3-E(1)	Uniform Complaint Procedures
1312.3-E(2)	Uniform Complaint Procedures
1400	Relations Between Other Governmental Agencies And The Schools
3510	Green School Operations
3514.1	Hazardous Substances
3514.1	Hazardous Substances
3516	Emergencies And Disaster Preparedness Plan
3516	Emergencies And Disaster Preparedness Plan
3540	Transportation
3543	Transportation Safety And Emergencies
4119.23	Unauthorized Release Of Confidential/Privileged Information
4119.41	Employees With Infectious Disease
4119.42	Exposure Control Plan For Bloodborne Pathogens
4119.42	Exposure Control Plan For Bloodborne Pathogens
4119.42-E(1)	Exposure Control Plan For Bloodborne Pathogens
4119.43	Universal Precautions
4119.43	Universal Precautions
4131	Staff Development

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4219.42	<u>Exposure Control Plan For Bloodborne Pathogens</u>
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4219.43	<u>Universal Precautions</u>
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4231	<u>Staff Development</u>
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5022	<u>Student And Family Privacy Rights</u>
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5030	<u>Student Wellness</u>
5112.1	<u>Exemptions From Attendance</u>
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5113	<u>Absences And Excuses</u>
5113.1	<u>Chronic Absence And Truancy</u>
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5125	<u>Student Records</u>
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5141	<u>Health Care And Emergencies</u>
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5141.21	<u>Administering Medication And Monitoring Health Conditions</u>
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5141.26	<u>Tuberculosis Testing</u>
5141.3	<u>Health Examinations</u>
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5141.31	<u>Immunizations</u>
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5141.32	<u>Health Screening For School Entry</u>
5141.5	<u>Mental Health</u>
5141.52	<u>Suicide Prevention</u>
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5141.6	<u>School Health Services</u>
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5142	<u>Safety</u>
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5145.3	<u>Nondiscrimination/Harassment</u>
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5148	<u>Child Care And Development</u>
5148	<u>Child Care And Development</u>
6020	<u>Parent Involvement</u>
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6111	<u>School Calendar</u>
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6142.1	<u>Sexual Health And HIV/AIDS Prevention Instruction</u>
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6142.8	<u>Comprehensive Health Education</u>
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6142.93	<u>Science Instruction</u>
6145	<u>Extracurricular And Cocurricular Activities</u>
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6145.6	<u>International Exchange</u>
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6153	<u>School-Sponsored Trips</u>
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6163.2	<u>Animals At School</u>
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6170.1	<u>Transitional Kindergarten</u>
6173	<u>Education For Homeless Children</u>
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6181	<u>Alternative Schools/Programs Of Choice</u>
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