

Policy: AIDS or HIV Infection

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School Board policy on AIDS or HIV infection:

1. We believe all children in Vermont have a right to an education.

As a general rule, a student with AIDS or infected with HIV should attend school in a regular classroom with the approval of the student's physician and should be considered eligible of a:l opportunities and services provided by law and local school district policy.

Reporting of AIDS or HIV infection to the school nurse is encouraged but is not mandated. The student or student's parents may choose to report this information. These are the only acceptable sources of reporting regarding HIV infection.

The Superintendent shall be responsible for the consistent procedural implementation of this policy. The procedures shall follow the Recommended Guidelines for Providing Education to students ~ith AIDS/HIV Infection provided jointly by the Vermont Departments of Health and Education.

2. Employees

A school employee shall not be restricted from the performance of his/her regular work assignments and activities in Green Mountain Union High School District solely based on a diagnosis of HIV infection. Reporting of AIDS or HIV infection to the school is not mandated. The employee may choose to report this information and he/she is the sole acceptable source of reporting regarding HIV infection.

The Superintendent shall be responsible for the consistent procedural implementation of this policy. The procedures shall follow the Recommended Guidelines for AIDS/HIV Infection in School Employees provided jointly by the Vermont Departments of Health and Education.

3. Clean Up

All school personnel shall be provided with information about proper procedures for clean up of body fluids emanating from any person. Standard procedures shall be used to clean up after any person has all accident or injury at school. Blood or other body fluids emanating from any person shall be treated cautiously. Gloves shall be worn when cleaning up blood or body fluid spills. The spills shall be disinfected. Blood or body fluid soaked items shall be placed in leak proof bags for washing or disposition. Standard procedure requires equipment disinfection and hand washing following contact with any body fluid of another person.

The Superintendent shall be responsible for the consistent , procedural implementation of this policy, The procedures shall follow the Recommended Guidelines for Providing Education to Students with AIDS/HIV Infection provided jointly by the Vermont Departments of Health and Education.

Legal Reference:

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