

Communicable Infectious Diseases

Teachers shall be alert to signs of illness and communicable disease and refer to the school nurse children showing such symptoms.

All children under quarantine shall be excluded from school and school activities. Quarantine regulations established by the Bureau of Health shall be observed. The school nurse shall be responsible for notifying the local health department of all students having a communicable disease as required by law and Department of Education rules. The building principal shall be notified of all communicable disease cases and contacts in the school.

Children who have other types of communicable diseases shall be excluded from school as prescribed by law, or shall observe other protective procedures according to recommendations issued by the school physician.

When a child returns to school after having had a communicable disease, a certificate from the attending physician may be required.

Legal Reference: 5 MRSA § 19201 et seq.
 20-A MRSA §§ 1001.11-A, 6301
 22 MRSA §§ 801, 802, 806, 823, 824

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