

COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

Teachers shall report to the Principal at once and the Principal shall refer to the school nurse every child who shows signs of being in ill health or suffering from infectious or contagious disease.

A child showing symptoms of any communicable disease for which health officials order isolation shall be excluded from school by the Principal, who alone has this authority. Whenever the school physician or nurse finds sufficient cause for exclusion, he or she shall make a recommendation to the Principal, who shall notify the parent/guardians that the child must be taken home. He/she must give written notice of exclusion by mail to the parent or guardian. In case of contagious or infectious disease, the school nurse shall notify the health officials.

LEGAL REFS.: M.G.L. 71:55 and 71:55A