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Teachers shall be alert to signs of illness and communicable disease and refer students who show such symptoms to the school nurse.

The Superintendent/school nurse shall be responsible for notifying Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) of any student suspected of having a communicable disease, the occurrence of which is required to be reported pursuant to law and/or Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) rules. The building principal shall be notified of all communicable disease cases and contacts in the school.

Any student for whom the CDC has prescribed isolation or quarantine shall be excluded from school and school activities.

Students who have 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 student returns to school after having had a communicable disease, a certificate from the attending physician is required. The building principal and/or the school nurse must give permission before the student is readmitted to class.

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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