

Prevention of Disease/Infection Transmission (Handling Body Fluids)

All schools must provide a sanitary environment and must establish routines, recommended by appropriate health professionals, for handling body fluids.

BOCES personnel must be advised of and follow routine procedures regarding handling body fluids. These procedures shall provide simple and effective precautions against transmission of diseases to persons potentially exposed to the blood or body fluids of another. These procedures must be standard health and safety practices developed in consultation with medical personnel. No distinction must be made between body fluids from individuals with a known disease and individuals without symptoms or with an undiagnosed disease. Training and appropriate supplies must be available to appropriate BOCES personnel including those involved in transportation and custodial services.

In addition to ensuring that these health and safety practices are carried out, special emphasis must be placed in those areas of BOCES operation that potentially present a greater need for these precautions. Under no circumstances may students be directed or knowingly be allowed to handle body fluids other than their own.

EAST CENTRAL BOCES BOARD POLICY

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LEGAL REF.: 6 CCR 1010-6 (*department of public health and environment rules governing schools*)

CROSS REFS.: GBGA, Staff Health

JLCC, Communicable/Infectious Diseases

JLCE, First Aid and Emergency Medical Care