

## **Students**

### **Exposure to Infectious Diseases**

The Stafford Board of Education recognizes that a safe and healthy school and work environment for students and staff is of paramount importance.

If an employee becomes aware that he/she has been exposed to an infectious disease, such as, but not limited to, tuberculosis or measles, outside of the workplace, that employee shall contact the Stafford Public Schools' Medical Advisor immediately to report such exposure. In consultation with the employee's personal physician, if any, the Medical Advisor will then decide if the employee is permitted to remain at work. If, as a precaution against inadvertent exposure of others, the employee is restricted from the workplace, the Medical Advisor shall determine when and under what conditions, which may include related testing, the employee may return to work. Until the employee meets such conditions for safe return to work, he/she may utilize available paid leave, including accrued sick days, personal days or vacation time, or take unpaid leave. Contact information for the Medical Advisor is posted in each faculty room.

Failure to comply with this policy could affect the health and well being of students and staff. Thus, non-compliance with this policy may lead to disciplinary action.

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