

Pennsbury School District

School Board Policy

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Title: Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) - Students

Purpose: The Pennsbury School Board is committed to providing a healthful environment for its students and employees. In order to fulfill that responsibility, this policy will deal with those diagnosed as having Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS).

This document, Index No. 203.2, replaces the previous Index No. 3015.

Policy: A student with AIDS shall be referred to a screening committee consisting of the Director of Administrative Services, the School District's consulting physician and the Coordinator of Nurses who will review and recommend a course of action to the Chief Executive Officer or Superintendent. The committee shall consult with the student's parent(s) or guardian(s), the attending physician, and, if necessary, the educational specialists in any proposed placement. Unless exclusion has been recommended by the Screening Committee to the Chief Executive Officer or Superintendent and subsequently approved by the School Board, a student with AIDS shall continue to be admitted to his/her existing classroom situation. Inherent in any recommendation will be consideration of the student's resistance to other diseases and the student's likelihood of presenting risk of infection to others.

In accordance with the Public School Code and federal law, any school records regarding a child who is identified as having AIDS or who has evidence of infection with the AIDS virus shall be kept confidential and only those school district personnel with a need to know will be informed of the situation. School district personnel are directed not to reveal information regarding particular student cases outside the scope of their official duties as defined herein.

Each case shall be reviewed periodically to determine the status to see if changes in the original recommendation may be necessary because of changes in conditions.

The Director of Administrative Services shall periodically review this policy to determine effectiveness and suggest revisions in response to development of medical treatment and research.

This policy is applicable to all students in all programs conducted by the Pennsbury School Board.

**Responsible
Administrator:** Director of Administrative Services