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	Immunization/Communicable Disease Policy							

Policy Purpose: To ensure the health and well-being of Applewood Christian School (ACS) students, staff, and families

Policy Information: Routine age-appropriate immunizations are the best means of preventing a large number of harmful childhood diseases. All Students attending ACS are required to be in compliance with state programs mandating immunization against specific diseases. The *Missouri School Immunization Requirements* schedule shall be used to encourage compliance. Students who are unimmunized or under-immunized shall be allowed to attend ACS unless a vaccine-preventable disease to which they might be susceptible occurs in the school setting. This policy addresses potential diseases and the course to take if a disease condition develops, as well as the procedure that will be followed for those who choose exemption from vaccinating their children.

5400.1 Routine age appropriate immunizations: Children who have not received complete vaccination of the listed communicable diseases shall be excluded from attending all ACS activities for the duration of possible exposure or until they are protected from that disease by immunization

5420.1.1 Diphtheria

5420.1.2 Haemophilus Influenza Type B

5420.1.3 Hepatitis B

5420.1.4 Measles

5420.1.5 Mumps

5420.1.6 Pertussis (whooping cough)

5420.1.7 Polio

5420.1.8 Rubella

5420.1.9 Varicella (chicken pox)

5400.2 Communicable Disease/symptoms that may result in individual (student/staff) from being excluded from the school setting(s), including extra-curricular activities, until symptoms improve; or a healthcare provider has determined the individual can return and provides written proof; or individual member is able to participate in routine activities

5420.2.1 Illness

5400.1.1.1 Unable to participate in routine activities or needs more care than can be provided by school staff.

5420.2.2 Fever

5420.2.2.1 Fever is defined as temperature above 101 F taken orally or 100 F taken axillary(armpit). Student/staff must be fever free for 24 hours, without the use of fever reducing medication.

5420.2.3 Signs/Symptoms of Possible Severe Illness

5420.2.3.1 Until a healthcare provider has done an evaluation to rule out severe illness when the child is unusually tired, has uncontrolled coughing, unexplained irritability, persistent crying, difficulty breathing, wheezing, or other unusual signs for the student/staff.

5420.2.4 Diarrhea

5420.2.4.1 Until the child has been free of diarrhea for at least 24 hours or until a medical exam indicates that it is not due to a communicable disease. Diarrhea is defined as an increased number of stools compared with a normal pattern, along with decreased stool form and/or stools that are watery, bloody, or contain mucus.

5420.2.5 Vomiting

5420.2.5.1 Vomiting two or more times in the previous 24 hours, unless determined to be caused by a non-communicable condition and the student/staff are not in danger of dehydration.

5420.2.6 Mouth Sores or Drooling

5420.2.6.1 Until a medical exam indicates the student/staff may return or until sores have healed.

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5400.2.7 Eye Drainage

5420.2.7.1 When purulent (pus) drainage and/or fever or eye pain is present or a medical exam indicates that a child may return.

5400.2.8 Rash

5420.2.8.1 Rash accompanied by a fever and/or behavioral changes, until a physician has determined that the illness is not a communicable disease.

5400.2.9 *Impetigo*

5420.2.9.1 Until 24 hours after treatment has been started.

5400.2.10 Strep Throat

5420.2.10.1 Until 24 hours after treatment has been started.

5400.2.11 Head Lice or Nits .

5420.2.11.1 Until after first treatment. Student/staff must have a head check done by school nurse before returning to class.

5400.2.12 Scabies

5420.2.12.1 Until after treatment has been given.

5400.2.13 Chickenpox

5420.2.13.1 Until all lesions have dried or crusted (usually 6 days after onset of rash).

5400.2.14 Abdominal Pain

5420.2.14.1 Persistent or intermittent abdominal pain associated with fever, dehydration, or other signs or symptoms of illness.

5400.2.15 Rubella

5420.2.15.1 Until 6 days after the rash appears.

5400.2.16 Pertussis

5420.2.16.1 Until 5 days after the onset of parotid gland swelling.

5400.2.17 Measles

5420.2.17.1 Until 4 days after the onset of rash.

5400.2.18 Hepatitis A

5420.2.18.1 Until 1 week after onset of illness or jaundice or as directed by the health department.

5400.3 Exemption(s)

5420.3.1 If there is a medical or legally permitted religious reason for not administering immunizations, families should provide a health professional's or other required exemption form to the school with the reason why the child is exempt.

5400.4 Records

5420.4.1 The <u>School Nurse</u> shall maintain immunization records of each student enrolled at ACS and complete the annual *Summary Report of the Immunization of Missouri Public, Private, Parochial or Parish School Children* as required by the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services per Missouri State Law.

Signed by:

Board President

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Board Secretary

Date: 10 / 20 / 1