

## Policy: Communicable Diseases

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### Policy Statement

The Jireh Christian School Board of Trustees recognises its responsibility to provide a healthy and safe environment. This includes protection from those who are carrying, suspected of carrying, or are at risk of carrying, a communicable disease.

### Procedural Guidelines

- The School will ensure that all members of the School community are protected as far as possible from infection.
- In the event a communicable disease is confirmed by a medical practitioner, the School will follow the guidelines of the District Health Board.
- The School will provide appropriate information to parents, staff and students if and when necessary.
- The School will safeguard the privacy of all members of the School community.
- The School will take opportunities to keep itself informed about communicable diseases.
- Staff will be made familiar with the procedures on handling infectious diseases.
- If a student's health is causing concern, staff will notify the Principal and where a communicable disease is suspected, the appropriate authorities will be notified.
- The School will reserve the right to exclude students who are known to be carrying a communicable disease.
- The School will reserve the right to impose, and enforce, a period of time for incubation on those School personnel (staff and students) when there is a possibility of those personnel carrying a communicable disease.
  
- Review schedule: Triennially

<b>ADOPTED BY BOARD OF TRUSTEES</b>			
Date	12 <sup>th</sup> September 2017	Chairperson	<b>R Thornton (Acting)</b>

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