

AIDS (HIV INFECTION)

The Board of Education recognizes the need for a policy on the admission of students and employment of staff who suffer from Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS). The Board also recognizes the rights of those individuals so afflicted, be they students or staff, to continue education or employment where possible.

The Board of Education also recognizes that the HIV virus associated with AIDS is not easily transmitted and there is no current evidence that AIDS can be transmitted by casual contact. Therefore, any individual who is infected with HIV shall continue to carry on his or her responsibilities as a student or employee if well enough to do so.

Should a student with HIV infection, because of his or her medical status, be unable to participate fully in the regular school program, the CSE shall provide that student with an appropriate educational placement as fully integrated with the regular school program as possible.

No employee shall be assigned to a particular job, or restricted from a particular job, due to suspected or confirmed HIV infection, unless the employee is so ill as to be unable to perform that job.

In all cases of known HIV infection, strict confidentiality shall be maintained.

Great Neck Public Schools

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