

POLICY 4102

BBIS INFECTIOUS DISEASES / CONDITIONS

According to *paragraph 34 of the Infektionsschutzgesetz* parents must inform the school, if their child has contracted a serious infectious disease. These include, but are not limited to: diphtheria, cholera, typhoid fever, E coli diarrhea, active lung TB as well as meningitis, Hemophilus influenza bacteria, impetigo contagious, pertussis, measles, meningococcal-infections, mumps, scabies, scarlet fever, hepatitis A and chicken pox. When necessary and to prevent from spreading the diseases further, the families of the children in that particular grade level, or different sections of the school will be notified by the school nurse. The same applies to staff members and their children.

In case of infectious diseases, the school nurse will inform the *Gesundheitsamt* and provide the local health authorities with all the required information. The advice received from the *Gesundheitsamt* has to be followed. When parents notice that their child has contracted head lice or nits, they should notify the school. In case of head lice infestation, the student will be sent home and the parents of the children in the same grade level will be notified. After a successful treatment, the student is allowed to return to school. A doctor's note is required after the second infestation.