

Section 6B: Operations - Workplace

Policy 6.57: Modified School Operations A Pandemic

Supporting Policies

Supporting Procedures

Supporting Protocols and Guidelines

Supporting Templates and Forms

Other Resources:

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POLICY STATEMENT

In the event of a pandemic, ADSB staff are expected to use information and guidance received from the Ministry of Education and local Health Units, as well as directives from senior administration of the Board, to determine all available options to ensure student and staff safety and well-being.

It is understood that during a pandemic situation, school operations will likely need to differ significantly from past practice as a result of efforts to limit the spread of disease. All schools will be expected to implement multiple strategies, informed by public health advice, to ensure schools are healthy and safe environments for students and staff.

It is the expectation of the Algoma District School Board that all members of the school community, including any external providers accessing ADSB schools, will comply with any and all protective strategies outlined in ADSB procedures, protocols, guidelines and/or other formal communications in order to help support the health and safety of the school community.

Compliance with protective strategies is necessary to protect the physical and/or mental well-being of other students and staff members within the school. Under section 265 (1) (m) of the Education Act, principals have a duty to refuse to admit to the school or classroom any person whose presence in the school or classroom would be detrimental to the physical or mental well-being of students in the school. Therefore, any non-compliance with protective strategies will not be tolerated, resulting in students, staff, and/or visitors not being admitted or allowed to remain on school premises.

We thank all of our students, staff, caregivers, and other community partners for their on-going efforts to limit the potential spread of disease in our communities.