Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board

A.I.D.S. Education/Universal Precautions

A.I.D.S. Education is mandatory in our system as part of our Family Life & Sexuality Education Program from JK to grade nine and in all-contained Special Education Classes.

In addition, A.I.D.S. Education is part of the mandatory Physical and Health Education credit in our secondary schools as well as some Religious Education courses.

ATTACHED IS A COPY OF THE "UNIVERSAL PRECAUTIONS." PLEASE REVIEW WITH STAFF AND POST ON THE HEALTH & SAFETY BULLETIN BOARD IN YOUR SCHOOL.

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A.I.D.S. UNIVERSAL PRECAUTIONS

- 1. Treat all individuals as potentially infectious when handling body fluids (blood), hence the term 'universal.'
- 2. Wear gloves for disposal of all waste products.
- 3. Do not re-use disposable gloves. Protective goggles should be worn in situations when splatter by blood, bloody secretions or body fluids is expected.
- 4. All waste products that are soiled with blood should be bagged (preferably double-bagged) and labelled.
- 5. Plastic disposable airways can be used for CPR.
- 6. Spills of infected material should be wiped up immediately. The cleaning chemical Enbec 256 or Omega should be applied to contaminated surfaces, left for 20 minutes and then wiped up, protecting hands with gloves. Blood-stained clothing, cloths and other cleaning equipment (mops) should be rinsed out in cold water, using gloves, and then laundered normally. If unable to wash immediately, put soiled laundry into a plastic bag and launder as soon as possible.

Contaminated equipment should be wiped down with Enbec 256 or Omega and left to soak in warm, sudsy water.

7. Strict handwashing techniques should be used when in contact with any type of waste after removal of gloves.