District Policy Regarding Communicable Diseases

Leadership Public Schools’ policy regarding communicable diseases is for the protection of LPS students and families as well as to prevent the spread of contagious diseases. This policy includes the following diseases:

- **Chicken Pox**: The student should be excluded from school until 7 days after the onset of the rash. All crust and scabs need not have fallen off. However, if large scabs are on hands or face, the student should stay home until these are healed to prevent infection.
- **Measles**: The student should stay home until after the disappearance of the rash.
- **German Measles**: The student should stay home for four days.
- **Mumps**: The student should stay home until swelling of the salivary glands is completely gone, which usually takes seven to ten days.
- **Pediculosis (head lice)**: The student should stay home until treatment has been started with an insecticide and nits removed.
- **Influenza**: The student should stay home until the temperature is normal.
- **Poison Ivy**: The student is not excluded from school unless there is considerable seepage or the student is too uncomfortable.

A doctor’s certificate is not necessary for the above when a student returns to school. If there are any questions about the student’s return to school, please check with the school manager. However, for the following diseases, a certificate from a doctor will be necessary for readmission:

- **Scarlet Fever**
- **Streptococcal Sore Throat**
- **Impetigo**
- **Ringworm**
- **Diphtheria**
- **Conjunctivitis (Pink Eye)**

Please inform the school manager of any communicable disease your student has as well as any additional immunizations.