

| <u>DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD</u> <u>POLICY</u> | |
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| POLICY NUMBER: | P-4004 |
| SUBJECT: | Communicable, Infectious or Contagious Diseases and the Health and Safety of Staff and Students |
| REFERENCE: | GAP4001 Safety of Pupils: Communicable Diseases in Staff and Pupils GAP4002 Safety of Pupils: Handling Bodily Fluids GAP4003 Student Accidents, Injuries, and Illnesses GAP1002 COVID-19 Mandatory Vaccination Reporting |
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“Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and healing every disease and sickness.”

Matthew 9:35

1. The Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board (“DPCDSB”), under the authority of the *Education Act*, the *Occupational Health and Safety Act* and the *Health Protection and Promotion Act*, affirms its cooperation and responsibility in the area of health and safety of staff and students in relation to the provision of appropriate health and safety precautions, first aid, and safe guidelines for the cleanup of blood and body fluids.
2. Health and safety and the preservation of the dignity of staff and students is central to DPCDSB’s commitment to providing a supportive response to the management of infectious, contagious, or communicable diseases.
3. Information relating to reportable infectious, contagious communicable diseases will be collected as required by the Province of Ontario, The Ministry of Education and the Provincial or local Medical Officer of Health, or as otherwise required by law.