

**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

**NOTICE OF FINAL RULEMAKING**

The Chancellor of the District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS), pursuant to Section 103 of the District of Columbia Public Education Reform Amendment Act of 2007, effective June 12, 2007 (D.C. Law 17-9; D.C. Official Code § 38-172(c) (2012 Repl.)), and Mayor’s Order 2007-186, dated August 10, 2007, hereby gives notice of the intent to repeal Section 2414 (Communicable Diseases Contracted By Students) of Chapter 24 (Student Rights and Responsibilities) of Title 5 (Education), Subtitle E (Original Title 5), of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations (DCMR), and replace it with a new Section 2414 (Communicable Diseases Contracted by Students) of Chapter 24 (Student Rights and Responsibilities) of Title 5 (Education), Subtitle B (District of Columbia Public Schools) of the DCMR.

The purpose of the rulemaking is to update existing Communicable Diseases Contracted by Students regulations to align with Department of Health regulations - Communicable Diseases Contracted by Students, Final Rulemaking published at 61 DCR 12274 (November 28, 2014). The rulemaking revises the requirements for maintaining students in school and returning them to school after having been diagnosed with a communicable disease.

A Notice of Proposed Rulemaking was published at 64 DCR 11728 on November 10, 2017 for a thirty (30) day public comment period. The comment period expired on December 10, 2017. No comments were received and no changes have been made in the Final Rulemaking. The rules were deemed approved by the Council of the District of Columbia December 23, 2017, pursuant to Section 103(c)(2) of the Act (D.C. Official Code § 38-172(c)(2)).

**Chapter 24, STUDENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES, of Title 5-E DCMR, ORIGINAL TITLE 5, is amended as follows:**

**Section 2414, COMMUNICABLE DISEASES CONTRACTED BY STUDENTS, is repealed in its entirety.**

**Chapter 24, STUDENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES, of Title 5-B DCMR, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS, is amended as follows:**

**A new Section 2414 is established to read as follows:**

**2414 COMMUNICABLE DISEASES CONTRACTED BY STUDENTS**

2414.1 The regulations found in Title 22, Subtitle B, Chapter 2, Section 209 of the of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations shall be the rules and procedures followed by the District of Columbia Public Schools regarding all matters concerning communicable diseases contracted by students.