

Myrtle Point School District 41

Code: **GBEBD/JHCCD**
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Staff/Students - Rumor Control - HIV, AIDS and HBV**

The district will use a two-pronged approach for rumor control related to HIV, AIDS and HBV before a rumor begins and during an "active" rumor.

In preparation for rumor control, the district shall annually notify staff, students, parents, media and the general public, through such means as student handbooks, parent newsletters and newspaper articles, of confidentiality and individual rights requirements placed upon school districts. The requirements are outlined in Oregon Revised Statutes and Oregon Administrative Rules. Individual rights include the right of the staff member or a student may have to continue working or attending school.

If a staff member or the student (parent, if student is under age 18) chooses not to divulge an HIV, AIDS or HBV condition, the district will have no information except to reiterate the requirements in the law regarding confidentiality and individual rights. This will be stated routinely and in cases of an "active" rumor.

The district shall appoint a district spokesperson who shall be responsible for responding to staff, students, parents, and media and the general public.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 433.008](#)
[ORS 433.045](#)

[OAR 333-012-0270](#)
[OAR 333-018-0000](#)
[OAR 333-018-0005\(1\)\(a\)](#)
[OAR 333-018-0030](#)
[OAR 581-015-0005](#)