



COMMISSION SCOLAIRE EASTERN SHORES EASTERN SHORES SCHOOL BOARD

POLICY

SCHOOL CLOSURES DUE TO URGENT HEALTH PROBLEMS

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In the event of an urgent health problem that might necessitate closing a school the following procedure should be followed.

1. Problem identification and fact gathering at school to establish cause for serious concern or alarm.
2. The Principal contacts the Director of Educational Services (if not available, the Principal should call the school nurse).
3. The Director of Educational Services calls the school nurse and/or other medical authorities.
4. The school nurse or other medical authorities investigate and report back to the Director of Educational Services with recommendations.
5. The Director of Educational Services reports to the Director General who contacts the Executive Committee and a decision is made on whether or not the school will be closed. The Principal advises parents.
6. When conditions so permit, the medical authorities advise the Director of Educational Services who reports this to the Director General. The Director General advises the Executive Committee and a decision is made to open the school. The parents are again, informed by the Principal.

Please note that the mandate of the C.L.S.C allows them to make the decision to close schools in the event of any serious medical concern.