



Section: PUPILS
 Title: STANDARD PRECAUTIONS
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	210.2.. STANDARD PRECAUTIONS	
<p>1. Purpose</p> <p>2. Definition</p> <p>3. Authority</p> <p>4. Delegation of Responsibility</p>	<p>The Joint Operating Committee is committed to the provision of a healthful environment for its students and employees. In fulfillment of that commitment, the Joint Operating Committee has sought and shall continue to seek guidance from appropriate medical, educational, legal and government authorities. This policy statement is the result of such guidance.</p> <p>To prevent exposures to blood and other potentially infectious materials in the school setting.</p> <p>The policy shall apply to all students and other participants in all programs conducted by the Lebanon County Career and Technology Center.</p> <p>Management of the Career and Technology Center's Standard Precautions policy shall be the responsibility of the Administrative Director.</p> <p>As approved by the Joint Operating Committee, all blood and other potentially infectious materials (OPIM) must be considered infectious. Standard precautions must be observed to prevent contact with blood or OPIM.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Blood is the single most important source of HIV (Human Immunodeficiency virus, the AIDS virus), HBV (Hepatitis B virus) and other blood-borne pathogens. However, other body fluids are capable of transmitting blood-borne viruses. Therefore, standard precautions should be used with human blood and OPIM. 2. Gloves must be worn while cleaning-up and cleaning spills of blood and any body fluid that is visibly contaminated with blood. 3. Standard precautions do not necessarily apply to sweat, vomitus, feces, urine, nasal secretions, sputum, and tears unless they contain visible blood. 4. Hand washing is the single most important means to prevent the spread of infection. 5. Contaminated surfaces shall be decontaminated with a bleach solution diluted 1:10. For 10 minutes. 6. Sharps shall be discarded immediately in a closable, puncture resistant container. 	

