

## Minimizing Latex in the Schools

Purpose: To minimize latex exposure in the school environment.

The Cape Elizabeth School Department recognizes that allergies to latex can pose a significant threat to the health of latex sensitive individuals.

It is the policy of the Cape Elizabeth School District to work with students, parents, staff and medical personnel to minimize risks and provide a safe educational environment for those with a latex sensitivity. Whenever possible, latex-free materials will be used in classrooms and labs.

Allergic reactions to latex can range from mild to fatal. Considering the significant danger that latex allergy poses, it is necessary to maintain the guidelines for minimizing latex in the schools.