

NAZARETH AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
School Health Services

LATEX ALLERGY GUIDELINES

Statement

The purpose of the Latex Allergy Guidelines are to provide a latex-safe environment for students who have been identified as having a latex allergy or have been medically advised to avoid latex.

Goals

1. Establishment of guidelines for students with a latex allergy.
2. Reduction of student's latex exposure.
3. Provision of latex allergy education to staff.

Procedure

- A. Reduction of Latex Exposure
(There is no treatment for latex allergy except the complete avoidance of natural rubber latex)
 1. **No Latex balloons allowed in any school**
(If latex balloons are found, they will be disposed of)
 2. **Gloves**
Vinyl gloves or Nitrile gloves are to be used.
- B. School nurses will provide/review the Latex Allergy guidelines to employees every year.