

STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES AND REQUIREMENTS
(Head Lice)

School personnel shall actively pursue the prevention and control of head lice in the district's schools by developing a consistent screening and follow-up program for all students. To support such a program, the following will be implemented:

1. If the school nurse or teacher should discover head lice/eggs on a student in the classroom, the parent/guardian of that student will be notified, and the student will be removed from school. All siblings of the infected student will also be checked.
2. The school nurse will instruct the parent/guardian concerning various shampoos and sprays that can be purchased for the head lice/eggs, and will also give information concerning necessary procedures to be taken in the home to ensure that the head lice are eradicated.
3. To be readmitted to school a student must be accompanied by a parent/guardian or relative, and must be examined by the school nurse. The student will at this time be given a slip to be given to the teacher which states that the student should be readmitted to class. If eggs are still present, the student will be sent home until the eggs are removed from the hair.
4. Within six to ten (6-10) days after being readmitted to school, the student will be examined again by the school nurse. If head lice/eggs are found at that time, the parent/guardian will again be called and reinstructed concerning treatment of the head lice/eggs.
5. The school will keep accurate records of students infected with head lice/eggs. From these records, the school will determine the infected individuals who could possibly be the carriers of the head lice.
6. It will be the responsibility of the school nurse to examine a student who is possibly infested with head lice or eggs and, if warranted, to recommend his or her removal from school. The nurse is also responsible for recommending readmission of the student after treatment is completed.
7. If it appears the parent/guardian of an infested student is failing to secure timely treatment for the infestation after having been given notice of the existence of head lice or eggs under these procedures, resulting in a prolonged period of absence of the student from school, who matter may be reported to appropriate family/youth services and law enforcement agencies.
8. The removal of students from the classroom setting under this procedure is a health and safety measure only and not a disciplinary measure. The district will provide the course work

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to and collect assignments from the student in a manner to be determined by the building principal.

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Note: The reader is encouraged to review policies and/or forms for related information in this administrative area.

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