

Three Rivers School District

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Pediculosis (Head Lice)

A student found to have contracted head lice will be subject to the following procedures:

1. Suggested school measures for head lice control, as provided in Communicable Disease issued through the Oregon Department of Education;
2. Periodic head lice checks of students are not recommended; however, screening recommendations are as follows:
 - a. Criteria for screening an individual for lice are:
 - (1) Persistent itching or scratching;
 - (2) Known exposure to sibling or other close contact with head lice (e.g. seat mate in classroom, locker partners, overnight sleep activities, scouts, etc.);
 - (3) Self (student or parent) referral.
3. Students found to have contracted live head lice will be excluded from school (Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 333-019-0010);
4. Treatment information, district policy requirements and re-admittance provisions will be provided to the parent. Parents will be advised to:
 - a. Use a lice-killing agent which their health-care provider, school nurse or local health authority recommends on all family members who have symptoms of infestation;
 - b. Follow the personal and household cleaning instructions provided by the district, health-care provider or local health authority, as appropriate;
 - c. Remove all nits after treatment.
5. Following treatment, the student will be readmitted to school;
6. Parents must either accompany their student to school for re-admittance or provide a signed by parent statement that treatment has been initiated;
7. The student will be subject to screening by designated personnel to determine the treatment's effectiveness. The absence of live lice is required for re-admittance. In the event the student is not re-admitted to school, that student's parent/guardian will be notified;
8. Students readmitted will be subject to follow-up screening by designated personnel;
9. Students with chronic head lice may be referred for follow-up to the school's health personnel or local health department, as appropriate.

10. Parents who identify head lice on their students at home are to complete treatment prior to readmission of their student, as required above. Parents are also encouraged to notify the school of their student's condition so that appropriate preventative measures may be implemented at school.

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