

Head Lice in Schools

- At each school, the administrator will designate school personnel to conduct head lice checks.
- Head checks will be done on individual students as needed. Classroom checks will not be done.
- When live head lice are found on a student, the parent/guardian will be notified by phone. The student may remain in the classroom, and a letter and treatment information may be sent home with the student at the end of the day. The student should not be excluded from school due to live head lice. Parent/guardian may take student home for treatment if desired.
- When nits are found on a student, the **student will remain in the classroom**, and a letter and treatment information may be sent home with the student at the end of the day. (Phone call not required for nits). **The student should not be excluded from school due to nits.**
- Incidence of lice may be recorded on the office first aid log. This log is to be kept in a confidential location.
- Letters to parents notifying them of lice in the classroom will be sent out on an asneeded basis as determined by administrator.
- This procedure provides *guidelines* for schools to follow. The school administrator may change these procedures as needed in cases of chronic head lice infestations.
- ECASD procedures for head lice management are based on recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control, the American Academy of Pediatrics, the National Association of School Nurses, the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction and the ECASD Medical Advisor.