

Students

Pediculosis (Head Lice)

The Board recognizes that responsibility for the treatment of pediculosis (head lice) rests with the home. When lice or nits are found, the student shall be sent home with appropriate parental notification.

To prevent the spread of head lice infestations, school employees shall report all suspected cases of head lice to the school nurse or designee as soon as possible. The nurse or designee shall examine the student and any siblings of affected students or members of the same household. If nits or lice are found, the student shall be excluded from attendance and parents/guardians informed about recommended treatment procedures and sources of further information.

Because head lice are easily spread, the Superintendent or designee shall send home the notification required by law for excluded students. (Education Code 48213)

Staff shall make every effort to maintain the privacy of students identified as having head lice and have been excluded from school for treatment at home.

Excluded students may return to school after treatment at home once they have been reexamined by the school nurse or designee to determine that all nits and lice have been removed.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

48210-48216 Persons excluded

49451 Physical examinations: parent's refusal to consent

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