

**Brookings-Harbor  
School District 17C**

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**Pediculosis (Head Lice)**

The Board recognizes that district programs should be conducted in a manner that protects and enhances student and employee health and is consistent with recognized health practices. Consequently, in order to prevent the spread of pediculosis (head lice) in the school setting, district staff shall institute guidelines for classrooms that will assist in the prevention of and the spread of head lice. The management of head lice in the school setting should not disrupt the educational process. A student with a suspected case of lice shall be referred to the school nurse or administrator for an assessment. A student found with live lice or nits should be allowed to remain in class and participated in school-sponsored activities. Parents/Guardians will be notified by the end of the school day when findings indicate the presence of head lice. The district recognizes that the Oregon Health Authority, public health division no longer requires exclusion of a student for the presence of nits and live lice. It allows for the discretion of the school district. A student excluded from school will be readmitted after an assessment by designated personnel to confirm no live lice are present, and that treatment has been completed. Students may be subject to periodic checks for lice.

Successful treatment of head lice requires a coordinated approach and may involve the use of ovicidal products, combing and implementation of preventative measures recommended by health authorities. Treatment information and education will be provided by the district to parents of students found to have head lice.

The superintendent will develop administrative regulations, as necessary, to implement this policy.

END OF POLICY

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**Legal Reference(s):**

[ORS 433.255](#)  
[ORS 433.260](#)

[OAR 333-019-0010](#)  
[OAR 437-002-0360](#)  
[OAR 581-022-0705](#)