

### **Pediculosis (Head Lice)**

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

1. Suggested school measures for head lice control, as provided in "Health Services for the School Community" issued through the Oregon Department of Education will be followed
2. A student will be checked for head lice when evidence is observed by staff; all students in a classroom may be checked at the direction of the principal in conjunction with the school nurse.
3. As provided by OAR 333-019-0315, students found to have contracted head lice will be immediately excluded from school;
4. Treatment information, and readmittance provisions will be provided to the parent. Parents will be advised to:
  - a. Use a medicated shampoo which their physician or pharmacist recommends on all family members who have head lice;
  - b. Follow personal and household cleaning instructions as appropriate.
5. Following treatment with a pediculicide (special shampoo for head lice) the student will be readmitted to school, with the following conditions:
  - a. The student will be subject to screening by designated personnel to determine the treatment's effectiveness.
  - b. The student will be readmitted to school or denied admittance, as appropriate.
  - c. In the event lice are in evidence, the student will not be readmitted to school, parents will be notified.
6. In the event additional assistance and/or information is needed regarding the treatment of the student, other family members, close contacts and the home environment (bedding, linens, grooming equipment, etc.), parents should contact their local health department.
7. Students with chronic head lice may be referred for follow-up to the school's nurse or local health department, as appropriate.
8. Parents who identify head lice on their students at home are to complete treatment prior to the 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.