

# Sheridan School District 48J

Code: **JHCCF**  
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Orig. Code(s): JHCCF

## **Pediculosis (Head Lice)**

(Excludes a student with a severe infestation (with 10 or more live lice); allows attendance of a student with nits and less than 10 live lice.)

A student with suspected case of head lice shall be referred to the school nurse or designated trained staff or volunteer for an assessment. A student found with live lice may be excluded from school attendance. The district recognizes that the Oregon Health Authority, Public Health Division, no longer requires exclusion of a student for the presence of nits and allows the discretion of the district. A parent of the student will be notified and treatment will be requested. A student with a severe infestation<sup>1</sup> will be excluded immediately until treated. A student excluded from school that has been treated will be readmitted after an assessment by designated personnel, and may be subject to periodic checks.

The successful treatment of head lice requires a coordinated approach and may involve the use of anti-lice products, combing and implementation of preventative measures recommended by health authorities. Treatment information will be provided by the district to parents of students found to have contracted 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](#)

National Association of School Nurses, Pediculosis Management in the School Setting: Position Statement Revised 2011.  
American Academy of Pediatrics: Position Statement on Head Lice 8-1-2012.  
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Head Lice Information for Schools 2011.

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<sup>1</sup>Ten or more live lice are present on the student upon assessment by designated personnel.