

Springfield School District 19

Code: **JHCCF**
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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, such as those outlined by the American Academy of Pediatrics. 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 and spread of head lice. Students with suspected cases of lice will be referred to the school nurse or building administrator for assessment.

The following process will be followed for students found with live lice or nits:

1. Parent/guardian will be notified immediately by telephone, e-mail or note home for prompt, proper treatment.
2. The district will provide parents of students found to have contracted head lice with treatment information.
3. Parent/guardian will be encouraged to verify treatment as soon as possible after notification.
4. Treatment of pediculosis (head lice) should not require that a student be absent more than one day.

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

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

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

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