

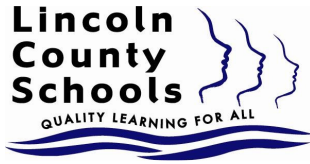
Lincoln County School District

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Nit and Head Lice Procedures

Exclusion

Principal or designee excludes the student using the attached letter (Appendix C) stating a student has been found with live lice. Students with nits will not be excluded.



**Lincoln County School District
Lice Treatment Letter
Appendix C**

Date: _____

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Your child _____, was found to have live head lice today. District policy states that children with live lice will be sent home, but may return to school after receiving treatment for lice at home. The district does not exclude children who have nits, though it is expected that you will continue to work on combing out nits. Listed below are treatment directions recommended by the District Nurse.

Recommended Head Lice Treatment Directions

- Check all household members for head lice.
- For all members with live lice, comb hair thoroughly with brush or comb.
- Use plain hair conditioner to lubricate the hair and use a nit comb to comb out live lice. Most lice should be removed during this first combing. **Using chemical pesticide shampoos IS NOT recommended. Current studies have shown the lice have become resistant to the chemicals. The chemicals can also be harmful to children.**
- Remove nits by combing through sections of hair with the nit comb or by picking nits out with your fingernails or tweezers. Go through the sections carefully and clean the comb carefully after each sweep. Dispose of nits and dead lice in a plastic bag. **Removal of nits can be very time consuming, but is an important step to becoming lice-free.**
- Blow dry the hair in sections daily, this will aid in killing the nits. Removal of dead nits is important.
- Repeat above steps every 1 to 2 days for 10 days. Each subsequent combing will remove a portion of the remaining lice and some that may have hatched between treatments.
- Continue daily combing until no live lice are discovered for 7-10 days.
- Change and launder pillow cases, bedding, pajamas, and towels. Wash combs, brushes, and hair ornaments in hot soapy water.
- Check affected head daily, and comb, comb, comb out those nits! Make head lice checks a regular part of grooming habits and instruct children not to share personal items, combs, brushes, etc.