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PREVENTION AND CONTROL OF HEAD LICE

The Board recognizes that total eradication of human lice from student populations is an impossible task at this time and that, from time to time, lice will be present in schools. The Board further recognizes the duty of the School District to take reasonable steps to reduce and control infestation of lice within the school district. To this end, the district will take the following steps for prevention and control:

The school nurse or designee will instruct students about the necessary precautions to be taken to avoid the spread of head lice. This will be done at the beginning of the year when the children's heads are being inspected in the elementary classrooms. Teachers will be asked to remain in the classroom for the presentation so they can be alert to necessary precautions.

At the beginning of the year, a notice will be sent out to educate parents about head lice transmission and treatment measures that need to be taken if their children do get head lice.

If multiple cases of head lice are found in an individual classroom, or infestations throughout a school, students in the classroom or school will be given a notice to bring home to their parents(s) along with information on treatment.

The school district will encourage the local newspaper and TV stations to publish information on head lice. If requested, qualified school personnel will do presentations to community groups.

Parents will be given information about head lice when they register their children for school.

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