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Dear Parents,

A student with head lice or nits (lice eggs) has been identified in your student's classroom or a classroom that your student may visit during the day. As a precaution, we've checked each student in your student's classroom, including your student, for the presence of lice or nits. Although we did not find evidence of lice or nits on your student, your attention is required to ensure that the lice or nits are not picked up by your student or spread. Please follow the guidelines below. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to call the office.

Ways To Prevent the Spread of Lice

- ❖ Do not share combs, hair brushes, towels, hats, bike or batting helmets, sleeping bag, or pillows.
- ❖ Avoid hanging hats and coats next to others' clothing.

What To Look For

- ❖ Active lice
- ❖ Nits (eggs) on the hair. These are usually pearly-grey in color and are attached to the hair shaft near the scalp.
- ❖ Excessive scratching of head, especially at the back of the head just above the neck.
- ❖ Nits are distinguished from dandruff because they stick to the hair shaft.

What To Do If You Find Nits or Active Lice

- ❖ Notify the school office (824-3354)
- ❖ Treat your child and all household members with a lice shampoo recommended by your pharmacist. Follow all instructions carefully!
- ❖ Use a nit comb after treatment to remove lice from hair shafts. A 10% vinegar rinse helps to loosen the nits from the hair shafts.
- ❖ Wash all bed linens and washable clothing in very hot water.
- ❖ Place all non-washable items such as stuffed toys in a sealed plastic bag for 21 days.
- ❖ Vacuum furniture, rugs and floors.

When Children Can Return to School

Children with active head lice will be removed from class and the school nurse will assist in rechecking him/her before allowing return to the classroom.

Thank you for your help keeping our students free from the nuisance of lice.

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