



Ovid-Elsie Area Schools

Ovid-Elsie Middle School

4041 N. Hollister Road | Elsie, MI 48831-9725

Phone: 989-862-4238

www.ovidelsie.org

10/18/2021

HEAD LICE INFORMATION LETTER FOR PARENT/GUARDIAN OF CLASSMATES

Dear Parent/Guardian,

There has been a case of reported head lice in your child's classroom. We ask you as the parent/guardian to please check and monitor your child's head daily. If lice or nits are found, you should contact the school and then your doctor or pharmacist for the correct shampoo. A fine toothed comb used daily can help to remove the nits.

The following information is provided for you about head lice. Please keep this for reference. Even though they do not jump or fly, they can spread from one student to another by sharing combs, brushes, clothing, hats and bedding. Head lice can happen to anyone. It is not a sign of poor health habits or being dirty. There are many lice treatment shampoos on the market as well as other mechanical and manual methods of controlling the lice. Bedding, clothing, and hats should be laundered in very hot water (120 degrees) on the same day or evening your child is treated. Nits (lice eggs) are tiny, white, pearly eggs that attach themselves to the hair shaft close to the scalp. The nit can be removed manually by pinching between two fingernails and pulling it off the hair shaft, or by using a "nit comb", available in most pharmacies. All members of the household need to be checked when there is one case of head lice in your immediate family.

A note from the physician or health department can be turned in as proof your child has been treated or a staff member in the office can check your student before they return to the classroom.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Brian Powell

Principal

OEMS