

Valley City Public Schools

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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

There has been an incidence of pediculosis (head lice) in your child's classroom. This is no reflection in any way upon a person's personal hygiene or cleanliness. This condition is found wherever large groups gather and can be picked up in any place upon contact with a person having such a condition. This letter is to make you aware rather than alarmed. It is each parent's responsibility to check the hair & scalp of their own children. The attached information will help you to screen your child/children.

If head lice is found, your pharmacist or county health nurse can recommend a suitable product or you may want to contact your physician. However, shampoo is not enough. A fine-tooth comb must be used daily to remove the nits. Remember these three steps: Shampoo vigorously; rinse thoroughly; comb carefully.

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Sincerely,

Principal

SOME PREVENTION HINTS:

- 1. Warn pupils not to lend their comb or brush to anyone. Have your child leave his/her comb and brush at home.
- 2. Keep hats, gloves, scarves and so forth in book bags or coat sleeve.
- 3. Check and launder child's coat, particularly those having pile of fur lined collars or hoods.
- 4. Advise your child not to try on other children's hats or coats.
- 5. If you purchase or receive new clothing for your child, wash it before wearing.