CONTROL OF PEDICULOSIS (HEAD LICE)



HEAD LICE

The following policy will be followed to try and alleviate head lice (any nits or live louse):

The Lac du Flambeau School District and the Wisconsin Public Health official's address head lice as a communicable disease. Therefore, the district addresses this problem for the health and well-being of its students and staff.

Head checks will:

- Be performed as often as needed or necessary.
- ◆ Be performed by the Lac du Flambeau Public School nurse and other appropriately trained personnel.
- Be performed in a hygienic manner to prevent transmission of head lice.
- Be performed in classrooms and health rooms.

Students that are identified as having head lice will be removed from the classroom. Parents will be contacted to pick up their child. If a parent cannot be contacted, the student will be transported home, to a relative's home, or other location designated on the emergency card. If no contact can be made, the student will be returned to school and will remain in a designated location until an adult can be located.

Written instructions for proper treatment of the problem will accompany the student along with information as to where additional assistance is available in the community. Students will be expected to return to school after treatment is complete. Absences for head lice should not exceed 2 days. Students absent for more than 2 days after being sent home with head lice will be considered unexcused.

If a student returns to school and is again found to have evidence of head lice, the student will again be returned home. Parents must then accompany the student upon return to school for a conference with the school nurse or other involved personnel, and a referral to Family Resources will be considered.