

The School Board of Leon County
Administrative Procedures

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8450A - HEAD LICE (PEDICULOSIS)

Whenever a student is found to be infested with head lice or is found to have nits, the parents shall be notified. The parents will be provided with directions for treatment of head lice and of District procedures related to head lice. The student will be sent home for treatment and not readmitted until the parent completes Form 8450A F3 and it is confirmed that the child is free of any head lice and nits after examination in a private setting by school personnel and/or school health room personnel hired by the local health department. After clearance by school personnel or school health room personnel hired by the local health department, the student will be allowed to return to class.

The necessary treatment is contained in Form 8450A F1 which is to be sent to the parent along with the cover letter (Form 8450A F2).

The other students in the infested student's classroom and the student's sibling(s) should be examined in a private setting for evidence of either the lice or lice eggs (nits) only if symptoms of a head lice infection are identified or if one-third (1/3) of the students in the classroom have been previously identified with active cases. The examinations should be done by each student's parents; the school nurse or school health room staff, if available; the school staff designated by the principal to provide school health room services; and/or the school principal or designee.

In the event that one-third (1/3) of the students in a classroom are identified with active cases of head lice, then the Principal shall send home Form 8450A F1 and Form 8450A F4 to notify parents of the situation.

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