

McNairy County Board of Education

Monitoring: Review: Annually, in May	Descriptor Term: Pediculosis (Head Lice)	Descriptor Code: 6.4031	Issued Date: 12/10/98
		Rescinds:	Issued:

1 No student will be denied an education solely by reason of head lice infestation and his/her educational
2 program shall be restricted only to the extent necessary to minimize the risk of transmitting the
3 infestation.

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5 Identification, treatment and prevention procedures (licetool) will be developed by the superintendent/
6 school nurse and distributed to all classroom teachers.

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8 If an active head lice infestation is found, the principal or his/her designee:

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- 10 1. shall notify the parent/guardian;
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 - 12 2. shall see that the parent/guardian receives a letter to explain the condition, list the requirements
13 for readmission and state the deadlines for satisfactory completion of the treatment;
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 - 15 3. may assign the student to an area that will minimize the transmission of infestation until parent/
16 guardian picks up the student. If the parent/guardian cannot pick up the child, the student may
17 ride the bus home; and
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 - 19 4. shall exclude the student from school until the student is no longer infested.

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21 In order for a student to be readmitted:

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- 23 1. The parent/guardian must bring the student to school;
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 - 25 2. A checklist detailing treatment must be properly filled out and signed;
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 - 27 3. Proof of treatment, such as NIX or RID boxtop, must be attached to the checklist; and
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 - 29 4. Satisfactory examination by the school nurse or principal or his/her designee may be required.

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31 A student will be expected to have met all requirements for treatment and return to school no later than
32 two (2) days following exclusion for head lice. All days in excess of the allowable period will be marked
33 as unexcused and referred to the attendance director at the appropriate time. Chronic cases that appear to
34 be severely neglected may be referred to the school nurse for additional attention by appropriate
35 authorities.

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