

**LAWRENCE COUNTY SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES**

**Head Lice**

**School Return Guidelines**

**Head Lice:**

**Recommended guidelines for students with head lice in order to return to school: Return to school determination is made on a case-by-case basis and may differ from these guidelines. These guidelines are not all inclusive.**

**Please read the attached Guidelines for treatment.**

**Reassessment and Readmission Guidelines:**

- Parent/Guardian must bring the student to school for reassessment
- Student must have been treated with a lice killing product
- Student must be lice free. Students who still have live head lice will be sent back home.
- Students with nits only (no live head lice detected) can remain at school. It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to remove all nits to prevent a re-infestation and to continue to monitor.

**Follow-Up Guidelines:**

- The student may be reassessed for head lice at one week, two weeks, and three weeks from the original screening assessment by the School Nurse or UAP.
- A positive finding of a head louse on reassessment constitutes calling the parent/guardian to pick-up the student. The treatment process, reassessment, readmission, and follow-up guidelines will be implemented again until the student remains clear of lice three weeks after a positive assessment.

**Absences due to head lice:**

- The day the student is sent home with head lice is an excused check-out.
- All additional consecutive absences to follow will be unexcused absences and the student must bring a parent note or doctor note.

**Student:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian/Designee:** \_\_\_\_\_

**I understand the above stated Head Lice Return to School Guidelines and take full responsibility for this student in respect to these guidelines.**

**Parent/Guardian/Designee signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

