

## **HEAD LICE POLICY**

In accordance with the recommendations of the American Academy of Pediatrics and the National Association of School Nurses, the Fairhaven Public School System adopts the following policy for the management of Pediculosis (Head Lice).

It is the position of the Fairhaven Public School System that the management of pediculosis should not disrupt the educational process. Children found with live head lice or children with nits who have had no recent treatment, will be dismissed to parents/guardians for treatment. Because no disease process is associated with head lice, students will not be excluded from school after the appropriate lice treatment. Upon the return to school, the School Nurse will determine the evidence of treatment and the child may be readmitted even if some nits remain. Further monitoring for signs of re-infestation by the School Nurse is appropriate.

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