

FROM THE DESK OF THE SCHOOL NURSE



COULD YOUR CHILD COME HOME WITH HEAD LICE?

Understand the problem before it becomes one.

A lice infestation can happen to anyone.

Socioeconomic background or lack of cleanliness has nothing to do with determining who gets lice.

Lice are insects.

They are an easily treatable condition that can be eliminated once they are discovered.

You can prevent your child from getting lice.

Lice do not jump or fly. They crawl. Tell your child not to share combs, hats or other clothing.

Don't be embarrassed if your child is sent home because of lice.

Between 8 and 12 million children get lice each year.

Know the symptoms of a lice infestation.

If your child is constantly itching, check the scalp for lice or eggs. The eggs will appear as white specks stuck to the hair near the scalp.

Do not send your child to school if you suspect lice.

Check with your school nurse for proper instruction on how to treat a lice infestation.

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