

**Battenkill Valley Supervisory Union
 Arlington School Town District
 Sandgate School Town District**

HEAD LICE

Code F22

The psychological, social and economical impact of head lice infestations can create a problem in the community. Recognizing that a sizeable number of cases exist from time to time, the Arlington School District will take the necessary measures to reduce the loss of instructional time for those students involved.

Procedures:

1. Any staff member who suspects head lice shall report this immediately to their school nurse or building principal.
2. If a child is found to have head lice/nits, it is recommended that he/she be allowed to stay in school until the end of the school day, but should be discouraged from having direct contact with others.
3. Any student identified by the school nurse as having lice/nits shall receive treatment at home.
4. All children in the same classroom of an identified active case (untreated nits or actual lice) shall be examined by trained personnel. All siblings and close contacts of the child within the school shall be examined and appropriately handled.
5. The school nurse will make verbal contacts and distribute, if needed, written instructions for treatment with the family of each case.
6. Each re-entering student, accompanied by a parent or guardian, shall be examined by appropriate health personnel to look for evidence that the treatment was performed.

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