

IMPORTANT NOTICE
PLEASE READ IMMEDIATELY

Dear Parents,

A few cases of head lice have recently been found at the site. As a precaution, we are checking each child. To help prevent any spread of lice, we are implementing the following precautions:

All children with head lice will be checked daily at the site. In addition, all children in the program will be checked on a weekly basis. Linens, pillow and shared dramatic play items are being bagged, treated, and will be returned after the incubation period has passed. After the current active cases are gone, we will return to our once a month preventive checks.

In order to prevent the spread of head lice, the CEC maintains a strict nit free policy which requires a child be free of all lice and nits in order to attend. Regretfully, any child found to have lice or nits will need to go home until treated and/or is lice and nit free. That can also mean that even if they were cleared at school, we may find some later in the day and require the child to be picked up.

We also strongly suggest that parents:

Check your child's hair each morning and evening for any live lice or lice eggs. Continue to make this check for the next two weeks. If your child had head lice, check all other family members as well.

If you find any evidence of lice, please treat and inform your site immediately. Once all live lice and eggs (nits) are removed, your child can return to the CEC.

We also recommend letting your child's school know to insure that population of children are also checked and treated if necessary. Also, if your child has lice, informing the parents of close playmates or those whose homes your child has recently visited is very important. Another link in the spread of head lice can be the upholstery of cars. Therefore, you will need to contact any carpool members or friends whose cars may have been exposed to live lice or nits.

We greatly appreciate your help and support in insuring that the spread of lice is decreased. We are also happy to share a helpful list of resources. If you have any questions, please feel free to call us or consult with your child's doctor.

Thank you,
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