



School District No. 27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin)

HEAD LICE INFESTATIONS IN THE SCHOOL

Policy No. 5141

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Preamble

It is recognized that head lice infestations are considered by public health as a nuisance condition and as such do not pose a serious health problem. However, outbreaks of head lice in a school cause considerable disruption both in the classrooms and in the homes of students.

Policy

Head lice (pediculosis) are a common occurrence in schools. The Board of Education endorses the Interior Health Authority's protocols for the control and treatment of head lice.

Regulations

Interior Health Authority guidelines for managing head lice at school will be followed by schools and can be found at either of the following links:

- www.interiorhealth.ca or
- <http://www.interiorhealth.ca/YourHealth/SchoolHealth/HeadLice/Pages/default.aspx>