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Lice Policy

As adopted by Rogersville City School Board

Whenever large numbers of adults or children congregate, infestation by head and body lice can be a problem. If left unchecked, infestation will grow to epidemic proportions within a few days. The following policy is to be implemented when lice are found to be present in students (includes both nits/eggs as well as active lice):

1. Students will be sent home immediately (State Law).
2. Parent will pursue treatment.
3. **Parent or other authorized adult must accompany student upon return to school** to have the student's hair rechecked. Bring the student by the clinic after 7:45 a.m. and the nurse will check him/her.
4. No more than two (2) days of absence will be excused for treatment; further absences will be counted as unexcused (Saturday and Sunday count as part of the 2 days for treatment).
5. After two occurrences of head lice within the school year, no further absences for head lice will be excused.
6. Medical excuses for illness are exempt (not excused) when sent home with lice.

Students not accompanied by parent/authorized adult upon return will be sent home.