LICE NOTIFICATION

Dear Parents and Guardians,

This is a notification to inform you that head lice have been detected at your child's school.

- **Examine your child's scalp and hair closely.
- **Examine all other family members if a problem is noted.
- **If live lice or eggs(nits) are found, please contact the school or daycare that your child attends.
- **Use a pediculicide treatment on all family members that have evidence of live lice or eggs, **if they have not been treated in the last 7-10 days.**
- **Never use treatment on an infant (children under 2 years old).
- ** Remove lice and eggs thoroughly using a lice comb and by hand, using fingernails. Always dispose of lice and eggs. Wiping your comb and hands with a paper towel or cloth that can be disposed of each time you comb through the hair is advisable to prevent becoming re-infested in the event some lice survive the treatment.
- ** Re-examine that scalp and hair every day for 7-10 days after treatment.
- **Wash all clothing, bed linens, combs and brushes in hot water (130 degrees F) and dry on hot setting to kill any lice that are present. Stuffed toys and dolls with hair should be put in a sealed plastic bag for 14 days to kill lice.
- **Carpet and furniture, including mattresses, car seats, and carpets must be vacuumed and the sweeper bag disposed of in a sealed plastic bag to avoid becoming re-infested.
- **Sprays for furniture are available, but not necessary if vacuuming is done as instructed.
- **Discouraging sharing of combs, hats, barrettes, and other personal items is also important to avoid becoming infested with head lice.
- **Follow instructions on or enclosed in the package of lice treatment products that you choose to use. All brands of treatment are not the same and do not have the same ingredients or instructions. Pay specific attention to the warnings that are listed on the treatment you choose.
- **If your child is found to have live lice, **you must accompany your child to school when they return.**The principal or designee must clear your child before they will be allowed to return to class. They will not be allowed to ride the school bus the next day until a staff member has checked to see if your child is free of lice.

If we can assist you in any way, please contact us at your child's school. If we are not available at the time of your call, please leave a message and we will return your call as soon as possible.

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