



## **CONTROL OF PEDICULOSIS**

**POLICY #: G-5**

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### **POLICY STATEMENT**

The Northeastern Catholic District School Board endorses the guidelines outlined below which have been provided by local Health Units for pediculosis (the presence of head lice or their eggs).

### **POLICY REGULATIONS**

#### **1. Role of the Teacher:**

- 1.1 To be aware of the symptoms which might indicate the presence of pediculosis;
- 1.2 To identify students with suspected infestations;
- 1.3 To ensure that the principal and parents are notified of suspected infestations;
- 1.4 To actively promote preventative practices to avoid further infestation in the classroom and the school.

#### **2. Role of the Principal:**

- 2.1 To ensure that the parents are notified of the identified infestation and the recommended treatment;
- 2.2 To exclude from school those who have an identified infestation;
- 2.3 To ensure that those identified are treated to prevent re-infestation;
- 2.4 To send home a general letter to all parents after the discovery of pediculosis within the school outlining measures of identification and treatment.

#### **3. Suggested Role of the Parent:**

- 3.1 To be aware of the symptoms which might indicate an infestation;
- 3.2 To identify suspected infestations, where possible;
- 3.3 To ensure that proper and full treatment occurs;
- 3.4 To indicate to the principal that proper and full treatment has occurred.

#### **4. Role of the Public Health Units: Resource Information/Material**

<http://www.porcupinehu.on.ca/Schools/documents/CDIM-Section3.pdf>

<http://www.timiskaminghu.com/uploads/files/ChildCareFactSheets/HeadLice-R-300a-CDC.pdf>