

## School Policy regarding Presence of Head Lice at School

Clery School for the Deaf will adhere to the following guidelines for the treatment and eradication of head lice.

**When a student is found to have lice:** The parent/guardian will be notified and asked to pick their child up from school as soon as possible. The parent will be instructed that the student should be treated before returning to school. Informational and instructional information in regards to treatment will be provided to parent/guardian. Follow-up head checks will be performed by school nurse. Students found to have active lice on re-examination will once again be excluded until they are lice free. If the student has siblings, it will be recommended to the parents that they notify the school nurse(s) at their other children's school.

**Classroom Environment:** Nap time cots will not be shared between students. Each student will have a cot designated at the beginning of the school year.

If a case of lice is detected, maintenance staff will be notified to vacuum and spray carpets and cots.

Student blankets and pillows are to be washed and dried or sent home in plastic bags for parents to wash. Cot sheets will be washed on a daily.

Personal items such as jackets and backpacks are to be kept separate in black garbage bags until dismissal up until it can be determined that the situation has been resolved.

Dress-up play items will be laundered and dress-up play will be curtailed until lice concern is resolved.

**Student & Staff Notification:** A general letter to parents will be sent home notifying them that a case of lice has been detected in school. This letter will be posted for staff.

**Bus Transportation:** All bus drivers will be provided with a letter notifying them that a case of lice has been detected in school. No specific student names will be provided.