

COLUMBUS COUNTY SCHOOLS

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Head Lice Reminder

Dear Parents,

Thank you for doing your part to help control head lice (by teaching your child not to share combs, brushes, coats, hats, head bands, barrettes . . . by checking your child's head regularly and by contacting school personnel if you find lice/nits). **Please continue** these helpful tasks.

As our fall letter stated, **ANYONE** can get head lice. Having head lice does **not** mean a person is dirty, poor or uneducated. Lice are not always easy to locate on the scalp, but nits are attached to the sides of strands of hair. Unlike dandruff, nits can not be shaken from hair.

School personnel continue to inspect students when head lice are suspected and do everything possible to avoid any embarrassment for students/families. When a student is found to have lice/nits, school personnel inspect the student's siblings, classmates, and other close associates.

Please be sure to use treatments **ONLY** when necessary and **ONLY** as directed (**NOT** to prevent head lice).

Columbus County Schools' Head Lice Policy

Students found to have head lice or nits must be treated for lice. **All** nits must be removed. Once treated and all nits are removed, the student will be checked by the school nurse for re-entry with a parent present.

Students must return to school as soon as possible!

Thank you for your continued support!