

HEAD LICE FLOW CHART

Day 1

Check hair for nits and/or live lice. Commonly found behind ears and nape of neck.
If nits and or live lice are found you must proceed through the following steps:

- Inspect all other family members
- Treat with special head lice shampoo or conditioner from drugstore
- Remove ALL live lice and nits
- Wash bedding, pajamas, towels, and all clothing worn the 48 hours before
- Vacuum furniture, carpet, car upholstery
- Things that cannot be washed-seal in a plastic bag for two weeks

Proceed to Day 2

Note- If no nits and or live lice are found there is no need for treatment **BUT** you must:

- Check hair 1-2 times a week for the rest of the school year
- Avoid head to head contact
- Do not share personal items like combs, hats, and scarves
- Tie back long hair or braid hair to avoid hair to hair contact

Day 2

Check hair and remove ALL nits and/or live lice. Repeat with special head lice shampoo if live lice are found.

Day 3

Check hair and remove ALL nits and/or live lice.

Day 4

Check hair and remove ALL nits and/or live lice.

Day 5

Check hair and remove ALL nits and/or live lice.

Day 6

Check hair and remove ALL nits and/or live lice.

Day 7

Check hair and remove ALL nits and/or live lice.

Day 8

Repeat treatment with head lice shampoo or conditioner IF you are still finding live lice and/or nits within ¼” of scalp. Check hair and remove ALL nits and/or live lice

Day 9

Check hair and remove ALL nits and/or live lice.

Day 10

Check hair and remove ALL nits and/or live lice.

Day 11

Check hair and remove ALL nits and/or live lice

By this day, if treatment worked, there should be no nits closer than ¼” from the scalp.

Day 12

Check hair and remove ALL nits and/or live lice.

Day 13

Check hair and remove ALL nits and/or live lice.

Day 14

Check hair and remove ALL nits and/or live lice.

Note- If no lice are found by day 14, there is no need for treatment BUT you must:

- Check hair 1-2 times a week for the rest of the school year
- Avoid head to head contact
- Do not share personal items like combs, hats, and scarves
- Tie back long hair or braid hair to avoid hair to hair contact

Note- During the school year, you need to check with your principal before your child returns to school.