



Long Valley Charter School

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Head Lice Policy

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Head lice outbreaks have become common in schools and do not reflect upon a person's living conditions. Head lice do not care if they are on a clean head or a dirty one; they do not discriminate between classes. All lice care about is finding a warm head on which to live. They spread easily among school children as they may transfer from head to head or from clothes or personal items such as combs, brushes and hats.

Long Valley Charter School practices a no nit policy to control the spread of head lice. When head lice are identified on children in school, the school will take preventative measures to ensure school facilities are lice free. When a student has been screened for head lice and/or nits (eggs) are found, the student's parent is called and is asked to pick up his/her child. Bus transportation home is not available.

The parent is instructed as to the procedure for lice and nit removal. The parent is informed at this time that his/her child is excluded from school until all live lice and nits have been removed. The student will be checked by the school administrator or designee, before the child can return to the classroom. If nits or lice are found, the student will again be sent home.