***CHERRYFIELD SCHOOL DEPARTMENT***

***NEPN/NSBA CODE: JHCE***

**PEDICULOSIS (Lice)**

Upon examination of children in the school system, if it is found that a child has pediculosis, the following policy will be implemented:

Nits: at the nit stage, the parent will be notified that the child has been screened for nits and the parents must agree to treatment and combing of the child’s hair to remove nits. At this stage, the child is not to be excluded from school.

Live lice: Children with live lice will be excluded until the family confirms that the child has been treated for lice and all nits have been removed. The school nurse or designate will check the child upon return to school and should live lice still exist, the child will be excluded from school until it has been determined that the child has been treated with proper medication and is nit free.

At the beginning of each October, the classroom teacher will send home the letter which is JHCE-R.

Legal Reference: Title 20-A, MRSA 6301

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