Everett Public Schools Health Services

GUIDELINES FOR STUDENTS WITH LICE

- 1. The parent/guardian of a student identified to have lice or nits shall be notified and encouraged to begin treatment for his or her child immediately or as soon as possible. While we won't require school exclusion, we will strongly encourage the parent or guardian to address the situation immediately by applying the appropriate remedy outside of the school setting. Schools with siblings will be notified.
- 2. The parent or guardian will be provided with the Student Lice Letter and the Snohomish County Health District's *Lice Aren't Nice* Booklet (included in this section).
- 3. Health Room Assistants and designated office staff will enter the student's name on the Daily Log with Reason Code: *Head Check*.
- 4. If two or more cases of head lice or nits are identified in the same classroom within the same week, a classroom *head check* of all students in that classroom will be conducted.
- 5. The Lice Notification Letter will be sent home with **all** students in the school where one or more cases of head lice or nits have been identified, not to exceed one letter per month.
- 6. The school's Health Room Assistant or designated staff will monitor the status of a student's condition regarding this issue by conducting a head check weekly until infestation is satisfactorily resolved.
- 7. The school's principal may choose to apply the BECCA protocol (see Board Policy 3122 included) if a student's absence exceeds a reasonable time to address the lice or nits condition by the parent. In normal situations, this condition can reasonably be addressed in two to three days.