

**APPENDIX D Pediculosis: Notification to All Parents (School)  
(sample letter)**

**School Letterhead**

**NOTICE TO PARENTS REGARDING HEAD LICE IN YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL**

Dear Parents or Guardian:

We have learned that there are a number of children with head lice in our school. Since this condition spreads easily, it is recommended that you check your child's hair regularly until the problem is under control.

If you suspect that your child may have head lice, it is important that treatment be given immediately. Ask your pharmacist to suggest an effective treatment product. Once your child has been treated and ALL nits have been removed from the hair your child may return to school. A second treatment 7-10 days after the first will kill newly hatched lice that survived the first treatment.

The attached fact sheet provides instructions for checking and treating your child's hair. Please inform the school and any other close contacts (eg. family members, friends, teammates, caregivers), so other parents can be notified to check their children more closely. All matters regarding head lice will be handled confidentially.

If you have questions, please contact the school office. More information about head lice may be obtained by calling the appropriate Health Unit. If you live in Huron County, please call the Huron County Health Unit, weekdays at 519-482-3416 or 1-877-837-6143. If you live in Perth County, please call the Perth District Health Unit Health Line at 519-271-7600 ext. 267, or toll free at 1-877-271-7348. You can also visit the respective websites at [www.huroncounty.ca/health](http://www.huroncounty.ca/health) or [www.pdhu.on.ca](http://www.pdhu.on.ca)

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Principal's Signature