

**VENTURA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**BOARD POLICY NO. 5141.33**

**ADOPTED: 06/21/02**

**CLASSIFICATION: Students**

**REVISED: 10/22/18**

**SUBJECT: Head Lice**

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The Governing Board recognizes that head lice infestations among students require treatment but do not pose a risk of transmitting disease. The Superintendent or designee shall encourage early detection and treatment in a manner that minimizes disruption to the educational program and reduces student absences.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

48320-48325 School attendance review boards

49451 Physical Examinations: Parent's Refusal to Consent

MANAGEMENT RESOURCES:

California Department of Public Health (2018). Guidelines on head lice prevention and control for school districts and child care facilities. A Parent's Guide to Head Lice (2016).

National Association of School Nurses (2016). Head lice management in the school setting (Position Statement).

California School Nurses Organization (2011). Pediculosis management (Position Statement).

WEB SITES

American Academy of Pediatrics: <http://www.aap.org>

California Department of Public Health: <http://www.cdph.ca.gov>

California School Nurses Organization: <http://www.csno.org>

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Parasitic Disease Information, Head Lice: <http://www.cdc.gov/parasites/lice/head>