

**ORCHARD PARK CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
PARENT LETTER REGARDING
LICE IN THE CLASSROOM**

(Sample Letter to Parents/Guardians)

Date:

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Please be advised that a case of head lice has been discovered in your child's class.

Many people associate head lice with uncleanness or poor personal hygiene, but this is not necessarily true. Head lice are common and are not responsible for the spread of any disease. They are transmitted from one person to another by head-to-head contact; sharing of hats, combs, brushes, etc. It is important to teach your child to avoid sharing personal items with others. This will help control the transmission of head lice.

Head lice are most commonly found around the nape of the neck and behind the ears. Your child may experience itching of the scalp.

Please screen your child daily for the next two weeks and then on a regular basis. Also, please reviewed the CDC (Center for Disease Control) head lice information located on district's web-page www.opschools.org

If you detect head lice and/or nits (eggs), or if you are unsure what to look for, please call your child's pediatrician or feel free to call the school nurse. It is important to notify the school nurse if your child has head lice or you suspect a case within your family.

Please be assured the district will strive to maintain student privacy and anonymity.

Sincerely,

School Principal