

Collins Cub Reporter



Collins Elementary School | est. 1969

December 2017

Collins Parents:

I would like to thank all of our parents and teachers for making the Fall Parent/Teacher Conferences a success! I believe this commitment from parents and teachers will help create and foster a positive and supportive learning environment for all of our students here at Collins Elementary. Even though the fall conferences have concluded, please know that you can contact your child's teacher or me for questions and concerns throughout the school year. Together we can create an environment where all our students can achieve amazing things!

Congratulations to our Physical Education teacher, Mr. Troy Marks. He was the recipient of this year's Comerica Bank "Thank a Teacher" award. He was surprised with over \$3000 in gym equipment. Students cheered him on, as he was presented with the award and everyone is looking forward to using the new equipment.

With the weather turning colder and wetter each day, please remember to help your child dress accordingly for school. Warm jackets, hats, and gloves will help keep those holiday sniffles away. Unless the temperature is below 10 degrees we will have outdoor recess. It is important for students to have this break during the day to refresh their minds. Please help us make this time comfortable for our students.

Our Student Council is sponsoring our annual Canned Food Drive in partnership with the local Kiwanis Club. We will continue collecting nonperishable items through December 8th. This is a great opportunity to help families in our area that are in need during this holiday season.

On behalf of the Collins staff, I would like to wish all of our Collins families a happy healthy holiday season and a fantastic New Year!

Jennifer Kleiner
Principal

Collins Elementary's Mission: With the support of the community, the mission of Bruce Collins Elementary is to foster a caring and enriching environment that enables all students to grow academically and socially to reach their individual potential, as they become lifelong learners.

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Reminder To All Parents

Parents will not be allowed back into the classrooms at any time during the day without a scheduled appointment with the teacher. Any item(s) that need to be delivered can be dropped off in the school office. Please write the student and teacher's name on it. The office will notify the student's teacher and they will determine an appropriate time for the student to leave his/her classroom and retrieve the item(s). Thank you for helping us maintain our educational environment in and out of the classroom.

EARLY ARRIVAL

Our UCS parent and student handbook states, "general supervision begins 10 minutes before the start of school." At Collins, this means students should arrive at school **no earlier than 8:15 am**. Teachers begin supervising at that time. School begins at 8:25 am. Students **should not** come to school before this time unless enrolled in School Age Child Care (SAAC) or at 8:00 am for breakfast only.

LATE ARRIVAL

If your child comes in after the 8:25 am bell, YOU MUST ACCOMPANY THEM in the office and sign them in per district policy (page 6 in the handbook).



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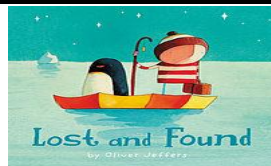
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FREE MEALS TO THOSE IN NEED



Outdoor recess is healthy

Fresh air and exercise have been proven to aid in the physical and educational growth of students; therefore, each school has an outdoor recess program. It is important that children wear appropriate clothing so they can go outdoors each recess. If it becomes necessary for a child to stay inside for recess, a doctor's statement will be needed. Students will remain inside if the weather is inclement. Many factors are used to determine outdoor recess, some of which are temperature, wind chill factor, and playground conditions. When the wind chill is 10 degrees or above, the children will go out for recess.



Lost and Found

Please remember to mark your children's personal belongings. This includes apparel, lunch boxes, school supplies, etc.

If your child loses something during the year, please have them check in the Lost and Found closet located in the school lobby. All articles not claimed by the end of the school year will be given away to charity.

Head Lice 101

What You Should Know About Head Lice



Overview

Head lice are a common community problem. An estimated 6 to 12 million infestations occur each year in the United States, most commonly among children ages 3 to 11 years old. Children attending preschool or elementary school, and those who live with them, are the most commonly affected.¹

Head lice are not dangerous.¹ They do not transmit disease, but they do spread easily, making it a community issue.¹ Additionally, despite what you might have heard, head lice often infest people with good hygiene and grooming habits.^{2,3} Your family, friends or community may experience head lice. It's important to know some basics, including how to recognize symptoms and what to do if faced with an infestation.

What Are Head Lice?

Head lice are tiny, wingless insects that live close to the human scalp. They feed on human blood.¹ An adult louse is the size of a sesame seed. Baby lice, or nymphs, are even smaller. Nits are the tiny, teardrop-shaped lice eggs. They attach to the hair shaft, often found around the nape of the neck or the ears. Nits can look similar to dandruff, but cannot be easily removed or brushed off.¹

Fast Facts

- An estimated 6 to 12 million infestations occur each year among U.S. children 3 to 11 years of age¹
- Head lice often infest people with good hygiene^{2,3}
- Head lice move by crawling; they cannot jump or fly¹
- Head lice do not transmit disease, but they do spread easily¹
- If you or your child exhibits signs of an infestation, it is important to talk to your doctor to learn about treatment options

How Are Head Lice Spread?

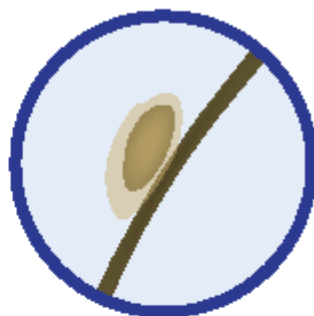
- Head lice move by crawling and cannot jump or fly.¹
- Head lice are mostly spread by direct head-to-head contact – for example, during play at home or school, slumber parties, sports activities or camp.¹
- It is possible, but not common, to spread head lice by contact with items that have been in contact with a person with head lice, such as clothing, hats, scarves or coats, or other personal items, such as combs, brushes or towels.¹
- Head lice transmission can occur at home, school or in the community.¹

What Are the Signs & Symptoms of Infestation?

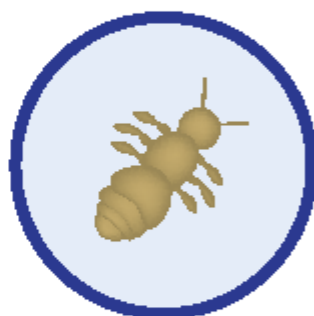
Signs and symptoms of infestation include¹:

- **Tickling** feeling on the scalp or in the hair
- **Itching** (caused by the bites of the louse)
- **Irritability** and difficulty sleeping (lice are more active in the dark)
- **Sores on the head** (caused by scratching, which can sometimes become infected)

Finding a live nymph or adult louse on the scalp or in the hair is an indication of an active infestation. They are most commonly found behind the ears and near the neckline at the back of the head.⁴



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Nymph



Full-Grown Louse

Facing Head Lice

A Guide For Families

What Are Head Lice?

Head lice are one of the most common communicable conditions. An estimated 6 to 12 million infestations occur each year in the United States, most commonly among children ages 3 to 11 years old. Live lice feed on human blood and live close to the human scalp. They are not dangerous and do not transmit disease, but they are contagious.¹



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Nymph



Full Grown Louse

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