Lakeland Board of Education			
Monitoring: Review: Annually, in May	Descriptor Term: Pediculosis (Head Lice)	Descriptor Code: 6.4031	Issued Date:
		Rescinds:	Issued:

- 1 No student shall be denied an education solely by reason of head lice infestation and his/her
- 2 educational program shall be restricted only to the extent necessary to minimize the risk of transmitting
- 3 the infestation.
- 4 It shall be the responsibility of the principal, their authorized representative or school nurse to notify
- 5 the parents in the event a child has pediculosis (head lice). A letter shall be sent home with the child to
- 6 explain the condition, requirements for readmission and deadlines for satisfactory completion of the
- 7 treatment.
- 8 Prior to readmission, proof of treatment with a pediculicide product (head lice shampoo) in the form of
- 9 the empty container must be submitted. In addition, the child must be examined by a school health
- official. No child will be readmitted to school if there is evidence of live infestation or the presence of
- any nits (lice eggs).
- 12 Treatment and prevention procedures shall be developed by the superintendent in consultation with the
- school nurse and distributed to all classroom teachers. These procedures shall also be distributed to the
- parent/guardian of any child that has pediculosis.
- Any subsequent incidents of head lice for a student during the school year shall require submission of
- satisfactory evidence of treatment for head lice and be found free of lice and nits by a school health
- 17 official.
- A student shall be expected to have met all requirements for treatment and return to school no later
- than two (2) days following exclusion for head lice. All days in excess of the allowable period shall be
- 20 marked as unexcused absences and referred to the attendance supervisor at the proper time.