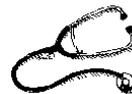




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SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES

Protocol for BED BUGS in a School Setting

Bed Bug Information

- The source of bed bugs often cannot be determined, as bed bugs may be found in many places including hotels, planes, and movie theaters
- Not a health hazard
- Not a sign of uncleanliness
- Not responsible for the spread of disease
- Bed bug bites can be very itchy and irritating
- Bed bugs can enter homes by latching onto used furniture, luggage and clothing, and by traveling along connecting pipes and wiring.

Transmission

Bed bugs are found across the globe from North and South America, to Africa, Asia and Europe. Although the presence of bed bugs has traditionally been seen as a problem in developing countries, it has recently been spreading rapidly in parts of the United States, Canada, the United Kingdom, and other parts of Europe.

How to Recognize

One of the easiest ways to identify a bed bug infestation is by the tell-tale bite marks on the face, neck, arms, hands, or any other body parts while sleeping. However, these bite marks may take as long as 14 days to develop in some people so it is important to look for other clues when determining if bed bugs have infested an area. These signs include:

- the bed bugs' exoskeletons after molting
- bed bugs in the fold of mattresses and sheets
- rusty-colored blood spots due to their blood-filled fecal material that they excrete on the mattress or nearby furniture, and a sweet musty odor

Prevention

- Bed bug infestations are commonly treated by Pest Management
- If you suspect that you have an infestation, contact your landlord or professional pest control company that is experienced with treating bed bugs.
- The best way to prevent bed bugs is regular inspection for the signs of an infestation.
- Drying clothes and items on high heat for at least 30 minutes, kills bed bugs

Management on the day of diagnosis

- Bed Bugs &/or bite marks are detected on student's extremities
- Student should return to class after being assessed by school nurse
- Parent/guardian is notified each time Bed Bugs/bites are detected on **their** child
Confidentiality must be maintained

Follow up Management

- Parents must accompany the student, at the request of school principal only.
- Student will be allowed to remain in school. .
- School Personnel (Social Worker, Say Yes Facilitator, etc...) will support & assist parents with identifying resources.
Notification will be sent to parents and staff

Learn More:

Erie County Health Department
Center for Disease Control
Buffalo Public School District

www.erie.gov/health
www.cdc.gov/parasites/bedbugs/
<https://www.buffaloschools.org/Domain/56>

English

This is an important document from child's teacher at school. Please read it or have someone read it to you.

Spanish

Este es un documento importante del maestro de su niño. Favor de leerlo o buscar a alguien que lo lea.

Somali

Warqadani waa mid muhiim ah oo ka timid macalinka ilmihina ee iskuulka. Minfadlak akhrista ama ha la iddiin akhriyo.

Arabic

هذا هو وثيقة مهمة من معلم الطفل في المدرسة. الرجاء قراءتها
أو شخص آخر أن يقرأه لك.

Swahili

Hii ni hati muhimu kutoka kwa mwalimu mtoto shuleni. Tafadhali kusoma au kuwa na mtu kusoma na wewe.

French

Ceci est un document important du professeur de votre fils. S'il vous plaît, lisez-le ou trouvez quelqu'un qui peut vous le lire.

Karen

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Burmese

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