Imperial Estates Elementary

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September 2025

NEWSLETTER

Calendar of Events

- 9/8- Parent Lunch Opportunity
- 9/8- 5pm Open House 5th & 6th grade
- 9/9- FAST Reading Grades K-2nd
- 9/9- Imperial Spirit Night @ Sonny's BBQ 4:00-9:00pm
- 9/10- FAST Math Grades K-2nd
- 9/10- 5pm Open House 3rd & 4th grade
- 9/10 - 5:30pm Gifted Open House
- 9/11 - 5pm Open House PreK, K, 1st, & 2nd grade
- 9/12 - Early dismissal begins @ 1:30
- 9/15 - Parent Lunch Opportunity
- 9/15 - 5pm School Advisory Council Meeting in the media center
- 9/16 - 5:30pm PTO meeting in the media center
- 9/17- Interim reports published
- 9/19 - Early dismissal begins @ 1:30
- 9/22- Parent Lunch Opportunity
- 9/25- NEHS Induction 6pm cafeteria
- 9/26- Early dismissal begins @ 1:30
- 9/29- Parent Lunch Opportunity

Every Friday is an early release day. Dismissal begins at 1:30pm.



Hello Imperial Estates Families,

Save the dates for our Open House events!

All nights begin at 5pm.

9/8 is reserved for grades 5 & 6.

9/10 is reserved for grades 3. & 4.

9/11 is reserved for grades prek-2nd.

Congratulations to our students who have recently received positive referrals for showing their SPARK!



Jason S.
Eli S.
Aven P.
Jace F.
Skyler N.
Shaniya W.
Legend V.
Joshua R.
Mr. J

Alannah B.
Cade C.
Kkoa T.
Lyla H.
Rosalie F.
Leandro W.
Mia E.
Adrien P.

Come to our Spirit Night at Sonny's BBQ on Highway 50 Tuesday evening 4:00-9:00pm, September 9th. Our school will receive a portion of the sales. Thank you to Imperial's PTO for coordinating the event!



STUDENT SPOTLIGHT





Alannah is in sixth grade! 🎨🎨 Alannah has already shown a great interest in art outside of our school. She also shows her SPARK when staff interacts with her. We are so excited to see all the wonderful things you make this year, Alannah!

Jason is in second grade! 🎉🎉 Jason is someone who always shows his SPARK during art time. He tries to encourage and leads by example to be an active listener, respectful, responsible, and kind. Mrs. Bryant can always count on Jason to help her or the other students in our art class. Thank you Jason!



Attendance Matters

September is Attendance Awareness Month! Every day in school matters because showing up is the first step to success. Let's keep the momentum going from August and stay All In for Attendance all month long!

#AttendanceMatters #AllInForAttendance #ShowUpSeptember

Congratulations to 4th grade, 5th grade, and 1st grade students for having the highest daily average attendance during one week within August!!!



New Change Form in FOCUS

New to our process this year is a Change Form that is available to parents. This form is available in the FORMS SUMMARY section of the FOCUS Parent Portal. This new form will allow parents to make changes to their address and contact information as well as upload any enrollment documents such as birth certificates, physicals and immunization forms.



Calling All Pop Tabs!

The Ronald McDonald House Charity needs our support. Imperial Estates has been collecting pop tabs for the Ronald McDonald's House Charities for over 25 years. Our donations help families stay close to their children that are facing medical challenges. This year's collection of pop tabs will be donated in the springtime. Please continue to send in pop tabs with your child to give to their teacher. Large donations of pop tabs can be left at the front office. Thank you for showing your SPARK!



Imperial Collects Box Tops

Happy September! 🍂 Our school's Box Tops goal for 2025-2026 is $500. Please help share our QR code and don't forget to scan all month to help earn for our school 🐬💙 Thank you for your support!

STAFF SPOTLIGHT



MRS. JOHNS

TEAMS I CHEER FOR:

JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS

GRADE: 3RD
YEARS IN EDUCATION: 7
YEARS AT IMPERIAL: 2

Who Inspires Me the most:

Amy Poehler

I Enjoy Spending my Time Doing...

Reading, Cooking and Board Games

My Favorite Things Are:

My dog Biscuit, Coffee, Reeses, my Kindle

I am an Educator because...

My 1st and 2nd grade teacher, Mrs. Angell

STAFF SPOTLIGHT



MRS. BARBOUR

TEAMS I CHEER FOR:

"PREPARE THE GAMEDAY SNACKS" KIND OF FAN

GRADE: 4TH
YEARS IN EDUCATION: 31
YEARS AT IMPERIAL: 18

Who Inspires Me the most:

My inspiration comes from my faith

I Enjoy Spending my Time Doing...

Time with family, playing with my grandson, kayaking, beach

My Favorite Things Are:

beach days, bonfires, coffee and family get togethers

I am an Educator because...

The moment that a child conquers something that has been challenging and that look comes over their face and their eyes light up...that's my why! I get to be a part of that moment!

STAFF SPOTLIGHT



MS. DESI

TEAMS I CHEER FOR:

UCF

GRADE: SPEECH
YEARS IN EDUCATION: 6
YEARS AT IMPERIAL: 1.5

Who Inspires Me the most:

My entire family

I Enjoy Spending my Time Doing...

Reading, drawing, swimming in the pool, Disney Resort Hopping

My Favorite Things Are:

Disney, Anime, Books, Sweet Tea

I am an Educator because...

I am a Speech Language Pathologist because I enjoy seeing the smiles on my students faces when they meet their speech and/or language goal(s). I enjoy seeing the hard work that they do so that their communication is being understood by their peers, family members, friends, and teachers.

STAFF SPOTLIGHT



MRS. GONZALEZ

TEAMS I CHEER FOR:

FLORIDA GATOR & NEW YORK YANKEES

GRADE: KINDERGARTEN
YEARS IN EDUCATION: 12
YEARS AT IMPERIAL: 2

Who Inspires Me the most:

My Father

I Enjoy Spending my Time Doing...

Spending time with family, reading, napping and gaming with my kids

My Favorite Things Are:

My little family, cheetah print, the beach, and theme parks

I am an Educator because...

I am an educator because I want to teach littles to love learning.

Out of Field

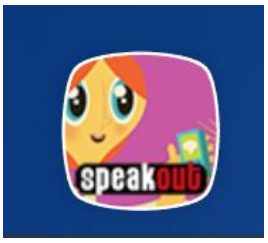
OUT OF FIELD SUBJECT AREA Please, be advised that Ms. Rowan Taylor is teaching out of field in the certification area of Media for the school year 2025- 2026. This notification is a Department of Education requirement for the State of Florida. Be assured that the Brevard County Public School District is dedicated to serving every student with excellence as the standard. Please, contact the school if you have questions regarding Ms. Taylor's qualifications.

ESOL Out of Field: As required by the Florida Department of Education, parents must be notified if any teachers currently teaching English, Language Arts, or Reading as a Second Language (ESOL) strategies are outside of their field of certification. Please see below the names of Imperial teachers that are currently working toward becoming certified in ESOL requirements.

- Ms. Simone Rose
- Mr. Omar Sanchez-Del Valle
- Ms. Sasha-Gaye Hylton
- Mrs. Elizabeth Widmeier

If you have any questions regarding this notification, please feel free to contact the school office.

Please review the information below regarding what your student(s) should do if they have information regarding something detrimental to the school or a student and are afraid to report it in person.



SpeakOut: 1-800-423-TIPS
http://www.speakouthotline.org
The SpeakOut Hotline is a safe and anonymous resource for students to report any threats, dangerous situations, or harmful behaviors that could affect them, their friends, or our school community.



FortifyFL (App)
https://getfortifyfl.com/
FortifyFL is a suspicious activity reporting tool that allows you to instantly relay information to appropriate law enforcement agencies and schools' officials.

Welcome to the Florida Statewide Assessments Portal

Your source for information about the Florida Assessment of Student Thinking (FAST), Benchmarks for Excellent Student Thinking (B.E.S.T.) End-of-Course (EOC) and Writing Assessments, Science and Social Studies Assessments, and the Florida Civic Literacy Exam (FCLE).



Students & Families

Students and families have access to this resource at https://flfast.org/fsa.html

At this site, you can:

- View sample test items
- View released prior year test items
- Fact sheets
- Assessment resources

Students also have access to these apps on their Launchpad and can use them after school at home as well: PENDA Science Gr.3-6 and Lexia for reading Gr. K-6.

Penda Learning

LEXIA CORE5 READING

JOIN US FOR ELEMENTARY READING AND MATH PARENT/GUARDIAN AND STUDENT NIGHTS



The BPS district Reading and Math teams will showcase how parents can assist students at home and participate in reading and math games in a competition between adults and children!

Parents and students, come learn with us! Choose the place, date, and time that is convenient to you. All students will leave with games to take home.

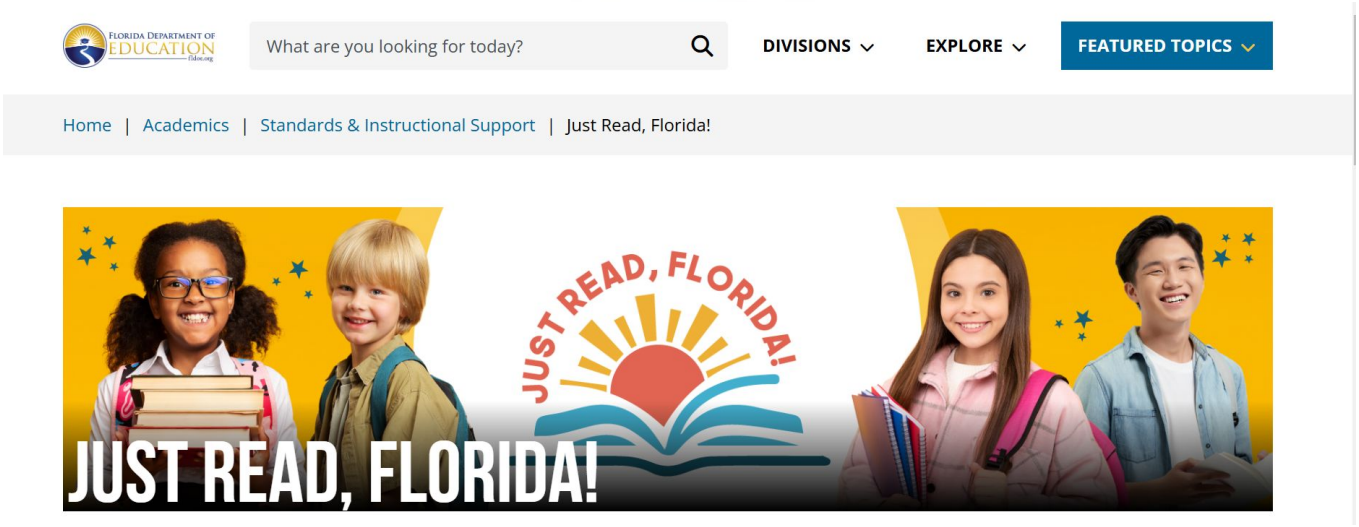
October 1st: Mims Elementary 6:00 – 7:30 pm
October 8th: Riviera Elementary 6:00 – 7:30 pm
October 9th: Andersen Elementary 6:00 – 7:30 pm



All sites will have the same presentation and competitions. We look forward to seeing you soon!

Teachers and families may find the resources listed to be helpful tools as they support children's literacy growth and achievement. Do an online search for:

- Just Read, Families
- National Center on Improving Literacy: Parents & Families Supports
- Florida Center for Reading Research: For Families
- New Worlds Reading Initiative: Family Resources



new worlds reading

NEW WORLDS READING INITIATIVE

The New Worlds Reading Initiative is a FREE Florida literacy program for VPK-5 public or charter school students currently reading below grade level. Thanks to the support and investment of the Florida Legislature, this statewide book delivery program is a collaborative effort with the Florida Department of Education, school districts and other local and state organizations, and the University of Florida Lastinger Center. Don't miss the chance to discover more about the New Worlds Reading Initiative. Enrollment flyers are available in English (PDF), Spanish (PDF) and Haitian Creole (PDF).

Read More

3RD GRADE

THIRD GRADE GUIDANCE

With the goal of every student reading on grade level, Florida law specifies reading requirements for third-grade students and promotion to fourth grade. Visit this page for more information on legislation, State Board of Education rules and other available resources.

Read More

PARENT RESOURCES

- Parent Guides for English Language Arts
- Read-At-Home Plan Resources (PDF)
- Read-At-Home Plan Resources - Spanish (PDF)
- Just Read, Families!
- New Worlds Scholarship Accounts
- Summer Bridge Program District Contacts

BPS Math At Home Resources

- https://sites.google.com/share.brevardschools.org/bps-math-at-home-support/home

Grade Level Expectations

- https://www.brevardschools.org/o/bps/page/grade-level-expectations

BPS Reading at home resources:

- https://sites.google.com/share.brevardschools.org/read-at-home/read-at-home-plan-new-worlds-reading-initiative

Screenshots of these resources are below:




GRADE K


GRADE 1


GRADE 2


GRADE 3


GRADE 4

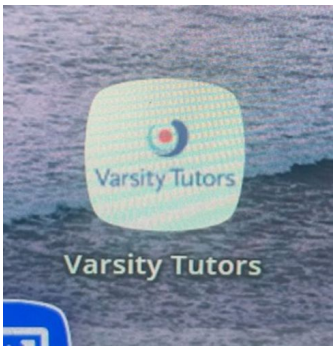

GRADE 5


GRADE 6



Additional Resources





● Brevard County is offering Varsity Tutoring to all students through their launchpad.
● This program offers students homework help through online chat tutoring, essay review and online classes on multiple different topics.
● This is a completely free resource for you to use at home. To access this, students just need to login to their launchpad and click on the app.



Imperial is currently hiring in the following areas:

- Classroom teachers
- Substitute teachers

If interested, contact our front office or email our secretary, Kellie Behl at behl.kellie@brevardschools.org

2024-2025 District & School Report Card

Dear Families,

We want to let you know that the 2024–2025 District and School Report Cards are now available to view. These report cards share important information about how our schools and the district are performing, including student achievement, progress, and other helpful data.

You can view the Brevard School District Report Card or your child's school report card by using the links provided below.

If you would like a printed copy or need translation assistance, please contact the front office—we're happy to help!

Thank you for your continued support as we work together to help every student succeed.

Imperial Estates Report Card Link: Imperial Estates Elementary School Report Card

District Report Card Link: https://edudata.fldoe.org/ReportCards/Schools.html?school=0000&district=05

Spanish:

Aviso a las Familias: Los Boletines de Calificaciones del Distrito y de la Escuela Ya Están Disponibles

Estimadas familias:

Queremos informarles que los Boletines de Calificaciones del Distrito y de las Escuelas para el año escolar 2024–2025 ya están disponibles para ver. Estos boletines contienen información importante sobre el desempeño de nuestras escuelas y del distrito, incluyendo el logro académico de los estudiantes, su progreso y otros datos útiles.

Puede ver el Boletín de Calificaciones del Distrito Escolar de Brevard o el boletín de calificaciones de la escuela de su hijo/a utilizando los enlaces que se encuentran a continuación.

Si desea una copia impresa o necesita asistencia con la traducción, por favor comuníquese con la oficina principal. ¡Estamos aquí para ayudarle!

Gracias por su continuo apoyo mientras trabajamos juntos para asegurar el éxito de cada estudiante.

Enlace a la tarjeta de calificaciones escolar: Imperial Estates Elementary School Report Card

Enlace a la tarjeta de informe del distrito:
https://edudata.fldoe.org/ReportCards/Schools.html?school=0000&district=05

Imperial Family Business Directory



Hello Everyone! Imperial Estates Elementary is seeking information on Imperial family-owned and operated businesses. Thank you so much for being apart of the Imperial Family!

If this is you, please complete the link below.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeO_yFtempk7TqipyyIW_6Eon5YqrKwxzBKx_gm5TBRXwHiVg/viewform?usp=header

Pre-Order Your

2025-2026 YEARBOOK NOW!

Please visit Buytheyearbook.com
to reserve your
student a yearbook today!

School ID: 729075

Yearbooks are $25.00

Make your student feel special with a shout-out ad! ⅛ and ¼ add space available but, space is limited. Reserve your spot today!

Welcome to the 2025-2026 school year! We are honored that you chosen Imperial to be the school for your children. We understand the trust you place in us to keep your family safe, develop their SPARK, and encourage their academic growth. We are grateful for the opportunity to partner with you and develop our school community together. This year's theme is Mission Possible!

As our enrollment fluctuates, teacher assignments and class rosters are extremely tentative especially throughout the first few months of school.

Each school day visitors are not permitted to walk students to class in the morning. Rest assured, we have multiple staff members positioned throughout the campus at arrival and dismissal time to guide students.

School Hours

Monday-Thursday	8:00-2:30
Fridays & Early Release Days	8:00-1:30

School campus opens at 7:30am. Please do not have students arrive prior to 7:30am because our campus is locked and no adult supervision is provided prior to that time.

Meals

All Imperial students receive free breakfast and lunch daily through our school cafeteria.

If parents chose to pack a lunch for their child we kindly ask not to include soda.

Outside meal procedure: Outside meals are defined as food from a commercial establishment (restaurant) brought to school by the parent.

Individuals on the student contact list are permitted to bring in or drop off a meal for their child. (Services such as Door Dash are not accepted.) Meals dropped off will be held in the front office to safeguard instructional time.

Monday, September 8th, will be the first Monday parents may visit with their child during lunch time. Parents may visit with only their child. Seating will be in the outdoor patio.

Each Monday after that will be a parent lunch opportunity. The last one for the school year will be April 27, 2026.

Changes in Dismissal / Picking Up

If guardians need to make a change in students' typical way of dismissal, please place that change in writing and allow advanced notice. Please refrain from checking students out early, especially during the last thirty minutes of school.

During the enrollment/re-enrollment process in FOCUS, the registering parent/legal guardian can designate Emergency Contacts on the Emergency Contact List. This is not to be confused with a pick-up list. There is only an Emergency Contact List.

Anyone listed as an **"emergency contact"** will only be called and allowed to pick-up the student during an emergency. The parent/legal guardian, with the legal authority to do so, must contact the school prior to the release of a student for "non- emergency pick-ups".

If a person on the emergency contact list comes to pick up a student, a courtesy phone call will be made to the enrolling parent. If the parent cannot be reached, the student will be released to the person listed on the emergency contact card as long as he/she is authorized for pick up.

Only the enrolling parent can withdraw a student unless there are extenuating circumstances.

Dismissal Times	Early Release
● 2:30- all bus and day care students	1:30- all bus and day care students
● 2:35- all walkers and bike riders	1:35- all walkers and bike riders
● 2:40 - all car riders	1:40- all car riders

For dismissal, if students are car riders, please be sure they are picked up on time. Our staff leaves soon after students are dismissed. Picking students up on time can also avoid being charged to use our after-care program or having DCF/local authorities from being notified. More information about the details of how the car loop operates is listed at the bottom of this letter.

In the event of severe weather (lightning) at dismissal time, to assist with student safety, we may have to hold students and delay dismissal (especially for our students that walk/ride their bike to school).

Here are a few ways to stay connected with us:

- FOCUS account
  - https://www.brevardschools.org/o/bps/page/focus-parent-information
- Checking your email
- School Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/ImperialEstatesElementary
- School Website https://imperial.brevardschools.org/o/iees
- Monthly School Newsletters (will be posted on website & Facebook; emailed)
- Reaxium
  - be connected with your children while on the school bus
  - https://www.brevardschools.org/o/bps/page/reaxium-parent-information

Here are a few ways to become involved:

- Become a substitute teacher
  - https://www.brevardschools.org/page/substitute-information

- Become a registered volunteer (field trip chaperones)
  - https://www.brevardschools.org/page/volunteers

- Become an elected member of our School Advisory Council
  - If interested, please email adams.cynthia@brevardschools.org

- Become a member of our PTO
  - If interested, please email humes.alexa@brevardschools.org.
    - Upcoming meeting 9/16/2025 at 5:30pm Imperial's media center

Helpful Information:

- Please be sure to bring your ID anytime you are visiting campus, including car loop pick up.

- A school resource law enforcement officer is present on our campus each school day.

- Imperial's School-Wide Behavioral Expectations for our students, staff & parents
  - SPARK (Safe, Prepared, Active Listener, Responsible/Respectful, Kind)

- Student Code of Conduct / Dress Code
  - https://www.brevardschools.org/o/bps/page/code-of-student-conduct
  - Crocs are not permitted footwear for students in grades K-6
    - Pajamas/ pajama pants should not be worn to school.

  - A student may possess a wireless communications device (ex. Smart watch/cell phone) while the student is on school property or in attendance at a school function; however, all students may not use a wireless communications device during the school day. All wireless communication devices (WCDs) must be either powered completely off (or placed into vibrate/silence mode) and stored out of sight during the school day. The school day is defined as from the first morning bell to the last dismissal bell.

- Reflecting on our previous school year, we aim to increase students' proficiency in reading, math, and science. We aim to increase student attendance and reduce absences and tardies. We aim to decrease incidents of classroom disruption and physical aggression. We desire your collaboration and partnership in these matters.

- School administration aims to actively engage with students and teachers around the school campus and in our classrooms for the majority of the school day. If you need to speak with an administrator, scheduling a conference will be most efficient.

- Adults and students use separate restrooms. Adult restrooms are in our front office.

We sincerely appreciate your continued support and value our relationship with you!

Kindness Matters,

Cynthia Adams, Principal

Heiken Mobile Eyecare

Florida Heiken will be providing free eye exams or vouchers to all families that apply on any internet enabled device through www.floridaheiken.org. Eligible families may qualify for free glasses. This service is for students in grades Pre-K through 12. Exams will be scheduled during the month of November.

Once applications are received a list of school-based sites will be determined to host the mobile eyecare unit. Sites with the highest participation/need will be priority sites. Multiple sites may be able to be served each day.

Each school will receive a list of students whose parents have consented to the service. Your assistance is needed in determining where the mobile unit should park and what the procedure should be for students leaving class to go to their appointment.

Applications are due by October 17, 2025. A flyer has been attached with the information, should the parents have any questions.

If you have questions, please contact Amy Olive at (321) 633-1000, ext. 11567.





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Parents! Protect your children with Student Accident Insurance

DEAR PARENTS: In collaboration with an A+rated insurance provider, your school is recommending a **LOW COST, NO DEDUCTIBLE Student Accident Insurance** option that is a one-time payment, per child, per school year.

PLEASE READ THE ONLINE SUMMARY OF COVERAGE FOR COMPLETE DETAILS AND FOR THE POLICY TERMS, PROVISIONS AND EXCLUSIONS FOR YOUR SCHOOL'S PLAN.

WHAT IS STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE?

Coverage that provides financial assistance with your out-of-pocket medical expenses when your student suffers an accidental bodily injury. OR if you have no insurance, this coverage will provide basic accident protection for your students.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR KIDGUARD® STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE?

All students from pre-K through grade 12 are eligible for KidGuard® Student Accident Insurance.

WHY CONSIDER KIDGUARD® STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE FOR YOUR STUDENT?

- KidGuard may help to offset high deductibles/co-payments of your primary health insurance.
- KidGuard is ideal for families whose children have no health insurance coverage.
- KidGuard may work for students who play interscholastic sports where unexpected injuries are more likely to occur. Please visit the website to see if sports are covered at your school.

WHAT OPTIONS ARE AVAILABLE?

[1] **24-Hour Basic Accident Insurance Plan:** full-time, 24/7 protection during school sponsored and supervised activities during the regular school term AND while at home AND during summer months.

[2] **School Time Basic Accident Insurance Plan:** protection only during school sponsored and supervised classes and activities during the regular school term.

[3] **Optional In-Hospital Sickness Benefit:** up to a maximum policy benefit of $5,000 for the 12-month period of coverage. No benefits are payable for outpatient expenses.

[4] **Some plans provide options for interscholastic sports.** Visit the website to see if sports are covered. All policy terms, provisions, and exclusions apply.

ENROLL WITH KIDGUARD'S ONE-TIME ANNUAL PAYMENT TODAY!

Get KIDGUARD® PROTECTION TODAY with our EASY ONLINE APPLICATION:

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Enroll with your smartphone

Go to kidguardinsurance.com ... (1) Find your School District, (2) Determine which KidGuard® Plan is right for your family, and (3) Enroll online!

QUESTIONS? CONTACT KIDGUARD, P.O. Box 784268, Winter Garden, FL 34778-4268 USA • Direct Tel: 407.798.0290 • Toll Free: 800.432.6915



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Padres! Protejan a sus hijos con Seguro de Accidentes para Estudiantes

QUERIDOS PADRES:

En colaboración con un proveedor de seguros con calificación A+, su escuela recomienda una opción de Seguro de Accidentes para Estudiantes SIN DEDUCIBLE, DE BAJO COSTO, que es un pago único, por niño, por año escolar.

POR FAVOR LEA EL RESUMEN DE COBERTURA EN LÍNEA PARA LOS DETALLES COMPLETOS Y PARA LOS TÉRMINOS, DISPOSICIONES Y EXCLUSIONES DE LA POLIZA PARA EL PLAN DE SU ESCUELA.

¿QUÉ ES EL SEGURO DE ACCIDENTES PARA ESTUDIANTES?

Cobertura que brinda asistencia financiera con los gastos médicos de su bolsillo cuando su estudiante sufre una lesión corporal accidental. O, si no tiene seguro, esta cobertura proporcionará protección básica contra accidentes para sus estudiantes.

¿QUIÉN ES ELEGIBLE PARA EL SEGURO DE ACCIDENTE PARA ESTUDIANTES KIDGUARD®?

Todos los estudiantes desde prekínder hasta el grado 12 son elegibles para el seguro de accidentes para estudiantes KidGuard®.

¿POR QUÉ CONSIDERAR EL SEGURO DE ACCIDENTE PARA ESTUDIANTES DE KIDGUARD® PARA SU ESTUDIANTE?

- KidGuard puede ayudar a compensar los deducibles/copagos altos de su seguro de salud primario.
- KidGuard puede funcionar para estudiantes que practican deportes interescolares donde es más probable que ocurran lesiones inesperadas. Visite el sitio web para ver si los deportes están cubiertos en su escuela.

¿QUÉ OPCIONES ESTÁN DISPONIBLES?

[1] **Plan de seguro de accidentes básico de 24 Horas:** protección de tiempo completo, 24/7 durante las actividades patrocinadas y supervisadas por la escuela durante el periodo escolar regular Y mientras está en casa Y durante los meses de verano.

[2] **Plan Básico de Seguro de Accidentes en Horario Escolar:** protección solo durante las clases y actividades patrocinadas y supervisadas por la escuela durante el periodo escolar regular.

[3] **Beneficio opcional por enfermedad en el hospital:** hasta un beneficio máximo de la póliza de $5,000 por el periodo de cobertura de 12 meses. No se pagan beneficios por gastos ambulatorios.

[4] Algunos planes brindan opciones para deportes interescolares. Visite el sitio web para ver si los deportes están cubiertos. Se aplican todos los términos, disposiciones y exclusiones de la póliza.

¡INSCRÍBASE HOY CON EL PAGO ANUAL ÚNICO DE KIDGUARD®!

Inscríbete con tu teléfono inteligente

Obtenga PROTECCION KIDGUARD® HOY con nuestra FÁCIL APLICACIÓN EN LÍNEA

Visita kidguardinsurance.com ... (1) Encuentre su distrito escolar, (2) Determine qué plan KidGuard® es adecuado para su familia y (3) Inscríbase en línea!

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HOW TO AVOID A 'HAIR RAISING' EXPERIENCE



- Watch for signs of head lice. **Check your children every few days.** Lice are easier to eliminate if caught early.
- Teach your children not to share hats, headgear, scarves, headphones and grooming items (combs, hairbrushes, etc.) and to avoid direct head-to-head contact.
- To kill lice on bedding, clothes, etc., wash and dry them as you would ordinarily. **NEVER add any pesticide.** Vacuum materials that cannot be washed.
- If you are concerned about head lice on carpets or furniture, vacuum them thoroughly or wipe smooth surfaces with a damp cloth.
- Wash stuffed animals or vacuum them thoroughly. **NEVER spray them with a pesticide.**
- To kill lice on brushes, combs or hair accessories, wash them with hot, soapy water. **NEVER spray them with a pesticide.**

10 Tips for manual removal

1. Work in a well lighted area or use a flashlight and hand lens.
2. Use a grooming comb or hairbrush to re move tangles. A hair detangler spray or other hair conditioner may aid in this process.
3. Divide the hair into sections and fasten off the hair that is not being worked on.
4. Use a lice comb to detect and remove lice and nits. See figure 1 and figure 2 in this brochure.
5. Go through hair sections from the scalp to the end of the hair. Nits are usually found close to the scalp.
6. Dip the comb in a cup of hot, soapy water or use tape to remove lice, nits or debris from the comb.
7. Sift through the same section of hair and look for attached nits and live lice.
8. Move on to the next section until the entire scalp and all hair has been checked.
9. Screen the infested person every day for 10 days and regularly thereafter.
10. If additional nits (at least 3-5 per day) are discovered, another manual search is recommended.

"Manual removal is the safe alternative and necessary component of any head lice treatment regimen." *–National Pediculosis Association*

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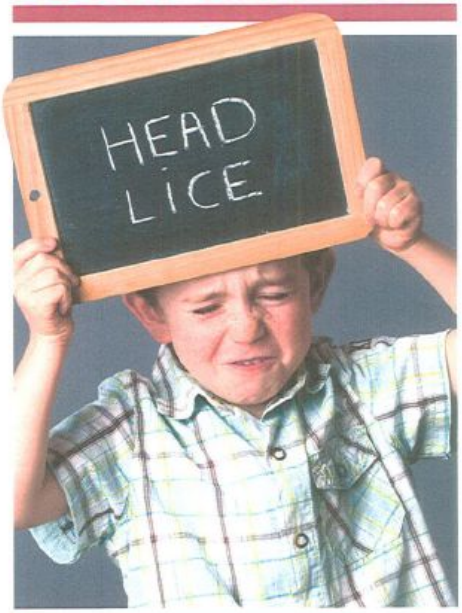
A PARENT'S GUIDE TO THE 'NITTY-GRITTY' ABOUT HEAD LICE



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Head Lice 101: THE BASICS

Do not panic! Head lice are not an emergency and, in most cases, do not pose any health risk. **However, misuse of pesticides and use of unlabeled treatments (ex., kerosene) can pose a health risk.**

Head lice **cannot** live off a human host for more than 24-48 hours.
Head lice **cannot** live on pets.
Head lice **cannot** reproduce in carpets, furniture or other household furishings.

Pesticide sprays do little or nothing to control lice. Never treat your home, car, furniture, beds, pillows, or clothing with pesticides (e.g. 'lice bombs,' flea bobs, sprays, etc.) in an attempt to control head lice. You will expose yourself and your family to unnecessary pesticide risk.

Signs of head lice:
- frequent head scratching
- complaints of itchy scalp/head
- redness behind ears or on the back of the neck

Head lice can affect people of any socioeconomic background and ethnicity. They do not imply a lack of hygiene or cleaniness of the infested person.

If your school sprays rooms, buses, furniture, etc., to control head lice, ask them to stop immediately. Refer your school to the Cooperative Extension brochure entitled *A School's Guide to the 'Nitty-Gritty' About Head Lice.*

Head lice are very common among all classes of people. More than 12 million people, mostly children and school personnel, get head lice per year.

Direct head-to-head contact with an infested person is the main way head lice are transmitted, but they may also be tranmitted by sharing hats, scarves, headphones, combs and other hair accessories. **Lice cannot hop, jump, or fly, but they can crawl rapidly.**



Head louse
Pediculus capitis

Head lice are small, wingless parasitic insects. They are typically 1/6 - 1/8 inch long, brownish in color with darker margins. The claws on the end of each of their six legs are well adapted to grasping a hair strand.

A child cannot 'catch nits.' Nits (lice eggs) can only be laid by live lice.

Female head lice glue their grayish-white to brown eggs (nits) securely to hair shafts. The eggs are resistant to pesticides, and they are difficult to remove without a special 'nit-comb.' The nits are generally near the scalp, but they may be found anywhere on the hair shaft.



Nits (lice eggs)
photo courtesy of the University of Florida.

The best treatment for head lice is manual removal (see '10 tips for manual removal' in this brochure).

If a lice shampoo is warranted, ask your doctor or pharmacist for specifics on the product and **follow all label instructions exactly. Misapplications can be ineffective and dangerous as well.**

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According to the American Academy of Pediatrics:

- Most cases of head lice are acquired outside of the school.
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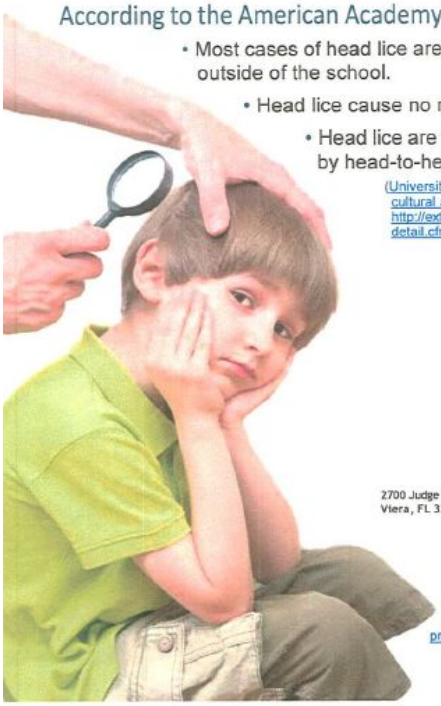

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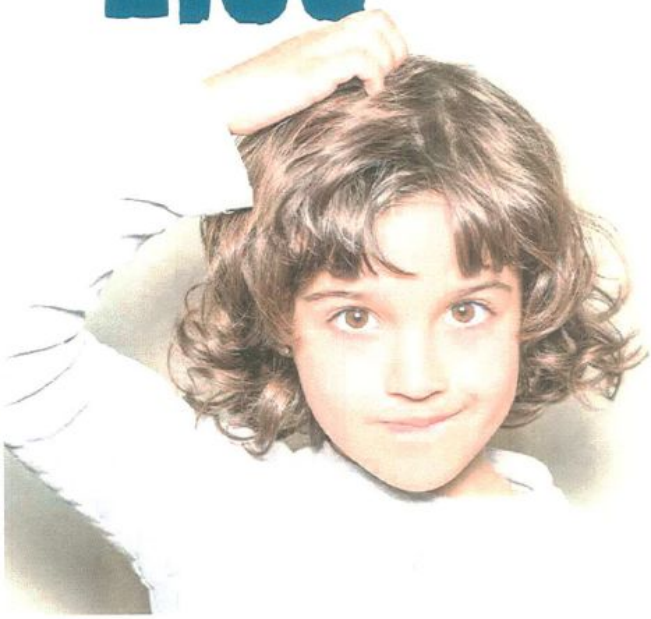

Head Lice Prevention and Control



Head lice are spread most commonly by direct head-to-head (hair-to-hair) contact. However, much less frequently they are spread by sharing clothing or belongings onto which lice have crawled or nits attached to shed hairs may have fallen. The risk of getting infested by a louse that has fallen onto a carpet or furniture is very small. Head lice survive less than 1–2 days if they fall off a person and cannot feed; nits cannot hatch and usually die within a week if they are not kept at the same temperature as that found close to the scalp.



Do not lie on beds, couches, pillows, carpets, or stuffed animals that have recently been in contact with an infested person.

Machine wash and dry clothing, bed linens, and other items that an infested person wore or used during the 2 days before treatment using the hot water (130°F) laundry cycle and the high heat drying cycle. Clothing and items that are not washable can be dry-cleaned OR sealed in a plastic bag and stored for 2 weeks.



The following are steps that can be taken to help prevent and control the spread of head lice:



Avoid head-to-head (hair-to-hair) contact during play and other activities at home, school, and elsewhere (sports activities, playground, slumber parties, camp).



Do not share combs, brushes, or towels. Disinfest combs and brushes used by an infested person by soaking them in hot water (at least 130°F) for 5–10 minutes.



Vacuum the floor and furniture, particularly where the infested person sat or lay. However, spending much time and money on housecleaning activities is not necessary to avoid reinfestation by lice or nits that may have fallen off the head or crawled onto furniture or clothing.

Do not share clothing such as hats, scarves, coats, sports uniforms, hair ribbons, or barrettes.



Do not use fumigant sprays or fogs; they are not necessary to control head lice and can be toxic if inhaled or absorbed through the skin.