

Hilltop's Protocol for Lice

Hilltop Christian Camp's protocol for Lice found on a camper is as follows:

Lice is a very common problem and not one that occurs from being "dirty." It also can not live without a human host, so it is not likely for lice to be living at camp prior to campers arriving. Hilltop will follow the following guidelines:

1. Parent will fill out a health screening form during check-in. If the form indicates evidence/exposure to lice the camper will be checked by a 1st aid or qualified person in a discreet manner. If found the camper will not be allowed to stay. The parents must treat the child and their belongings before returning to camp. Upon return, the camper will be checked again and must be lice and nit free.
2. We look for signs of lice during camp; child itching their head often, seen while combing/brushing hair or seen in hair. In a discreet manner the child will be checked by the 1st aid person. If found, the parent will be called and the child and their belongings will need to be taken home. The parents must treat the child and their belongings before returning to camp. Upon return, the camper will be checked again and must be lice and nit free.
3. Camper (s) in the dorm room of the affected camper will be checked. If any other camper is found to have lice the same process of calling the parent and the parent providing treatment is required.
4. The dorm of the affected camper will be treated in the following manner; the bed (s) of the affected camper will be vacuumed followed by steaming all cracks and crevices to ensure all lice and nits are dead.
5. A letter will be handed out to parents of children in the affected dorm room during pickup of the occurrence and how it was handled.

Hilltop's desire is for campers to be here during the entire session. We have considered treating head lice at camp for an additional fee charged to the parent. But, Hilltop does not have the additional staff and discreet location needed for treatment at this time.

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