HEAD LICE POLICY FOR 2023

This is very important information, please read thoroughly and contact us with any questions.

In order to limit the possibility of lice problems as much as possible at the GPGC we will enforce the following lice policy:

- 1. We will check every student for lice at check-in. We will have nurses in the dorm to do the check.
 - a. If your student does have lice at check-in we will ask you to either treat them yourself immediately or pay for a lice removal service from an outside company.
- 2. If a student is found to have lice during the summer we will:
 - a. Call the parent/ guardian and provide them with the choice of coming to get their child and take them home until the student is lice free, or the parent may contract with a lice removal company to come to the dorm and treat their student there.
 - b. Make every attempt to provide the student affected with a separate dorm room for the duration of the lice episode if necessary.
 - c. Inform all of the parents that we have had a case of lice so that parents may check their students when they come home for a break or for the end of the summer.

Please understand clearly that we cannot have our counselors doing the lice treatments at the dorm. We learned from our experience several summers ago that this puts undue stress on both the counselors that have to do the treatments and on the rest of the staff that have to compensate for their absence in other areas. We simply do not have the resources to provide that sort of intense, individual attention, especially if more than one student at a time has lice.

Please also discuss lice avoidance techniques with your student before you come to the Program this summer. If you would like more information, the Centers for Disease Control has a recommended write-up found at: http://www.cdc.gov/parasites/lice/head/prevent.html

Please contact Mr. Brown at director@gpgc.org if you have any questions about this policy.

