

**ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
HEALTH SERVICES**

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**Bedbug Parent Notification Letter**

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Dear parent or guardian:

We have recently found a bedbug in your child's classroom. Bedbugs are a nuisance, but their bites are not known to spread disease. They are usually active and feed on blood at night. The bite does not hurt at first, but it may become swollen and itchy, much like a mosquito bite. Watch for clusters of bites, usually in a line, on exposed areas of the body. If you have medical concerns for you or your child, please contact your doctor.

The source of bedbugs often cannot be determined, as bedbugs may be found in many places including hotels, planes and movie theaters. Even though it is unlikely for bedbugs to be spread in schools, Anchorage School District will conduct an inspection and, if needed, will implement an integrated pest management plan in the area where the bug was found. The Anchorage School District will continue to work to identify bedbugs, provide thorough inspections of schools and have licensed pest control specialists treat the rooms if a problem is found.

Contact your physician or school nurse for proper care and treatment of bedbug bites.

If you have any questions regarding bedbugs in your school and at home, please contact school principal or the school nurse.

Sincerely,

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