

MENOMINEE INDIAN SCHOOL DISTRICT

453.36-Rule

NURSING GUIDELINES FOR STUDENTS WITH RINGWORM
(Tinea)

1. Assess skin for lesions that itch and have the following characteristics:
 - a. on the scalp - lesions cause patchy hair loss and scaling scalp (tinea capitis)
 - b. on the body/skin - lesions are red, circular, flat, scaling and have well-defined borders (tinea corporis)
 - c. on the bearded area of the face - lesions cause an itchy, scaly rash under the beard (tinea barbae).
 - d. on the feet - in the skin between the toes, a macerated scaling occasionally blistered, itchy rash. (tinea pedis).
 - e. of the nails - thickened, yellow dull nails with crusting at the free edge (onychomycosis).
2. If positive signs and symptoms, notify parent/guardian. Advise parent/guardian to pick up student. Parent/guardian can either buy an over-the-counter (OTC) anti-fungal cream (Lotrimin) or seek medical attention for evaluation, diagnosis and treatment. Student will be isolated from other children until picked up by parent/guardian.
3. Parent/guardian will receive information on ringworm. (See 453.36-Exhibit).
4. Upon returning to school the parent/guardian must either contact the nurse to verify type of OTC treatment used or present a return to school slip from medical personnel. The parent/guardian must continue with proper follow-up care.

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