

DUVAL COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

NOTICE OF BED BUGS CONFIRMED AND FOUND IN A CLASSROOM

Attention Parent/Guardian:

A bed bug was found in your child's classroom. Bed bugs are a nuisance, but their bites are not known to spread disease. Bed bugs are usually active at night. The bite does not hurt at first, but it may become swollen and itch, much like a mosquito bite. Watch for clusters of bites, usually in a line, on exposed areas of the body, such as the hands, legs and waist. If you have medical concerns for you or your child, please contact your health care provider.

The source of bed bugs often cannot be determined, as bed bugs may be found in many places including hotels, planes, and movie theaters. Even though it is unlikely for bed bugs to infest a school, _____ will conduct an inspection and, if needed, will implement an integrated pest management plan in the area where the bed bug was found.

_____ will continue to work to identify bed bugs, provide thorough inspections of schools, and have licensed pest control specialists assist with pest management.

Contact your health care provider or school nurse for proper care and treatment of bed bug bites.

If you have any questions regarding bed bugs, please contact the Florida Department of Health-Duval School Health Office 904-253-1580.