

## Clarksville Montgomery County School System HEALTH SERVICES CLASS NOTE – BED BUG

## Dear Parent/Guardian:

Sincerely.

We recently found a bed bug 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 between the hours of 2:00am and 5:00 am. 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. If you have concerns for you or your child's well-being, please contact your doctor.

The source of bed bugs often cannot be determined, as bed bugs may be found in many common places including hotels, planes, and movie theaters. Even though it is unlikely for bed bugs to be spread in schools, CMCSS will conduct an inspection and, if needed, will treat the area where the bed bug was found.

CMCSS will continue to work to identify bed bugs, 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 bed bug bites.

If you have any questions regarding bed bugs in your school, please contact the school nurse.

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School Nurse	Date