



Bed Bugs

Date: _____

Dear Parent of: _____,

During class today, we discovered what appear to be bed bugs on your child's belongings. Please see the attached information about bed bugs and look for these signs of bugs in your home. Your home should be inspected by a pest management professional. Infested households should employ a pest management professional and take precautions to prevent transporting bed bugs to schools, daycares or other facilities.

At home, clothing to be worn outside the home should be washed and dried in a hot dryer for at least 20 minutes, then placed in a tightly sealed container such as garbage bag or plastic bin until just before the child exits the home. This also applies to personal items such as coats and backpacks.

If you have any questions regarding bed bugs found in your home, contact your local health department or visit <http://www.idph.state.il.us/envhealth/pcbedbugs.htm>

Your family advocate will be contacting you to come and do a home visit and to assist you and make referrals to agencies that could possibly help your family.

Sincerely,

PACT Teacher