

## Lyme Disease Prevention Checklist for Schools, Universities, Summer Camps and Childcare Centers

Use this tool to determine which actions you already take to promote Lyme disease prevention and which actions you can take at your organization. Place an “x” in the appropriate column as you fill out the checklist. For actions you want to consider implementing, identify the appropriate person in your organization that can complete the action and assign a timeline for completing the action.

Action Item	Already Being Done	Consider Implementing (Identify Lead for Action)	Not Applicable to my organization
Review the Lyme Prevention Toolkit for information and to become familiar with available resources		N/A	N/A
<b>Education</b>			
Post prevention tips on Facebook, Twitter and other social media sites <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reference the Toolkit Resources – General Information Section for a template</li> </ul>		Lead: Deadline:	
Hang up posters that promote tick checks and insect repellants near exits to the facility and near playgrounds, trails and fields		Lead: Deadline:	
Sent an email blast to parents, teachers, faculty and students (university level students) with information that promotes prevention <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reference the Toolkit Resources – General Information Section for a template</li> </ul>		Lead: Deadline:	
Put information on prevention in your quarterly newsletter <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reference the Toolkit Resources – General Information Section for a template</li> </ul>		Lead: Deadline:	
Put table tents with information on prevention in the cafeteria		Lead: Deadline:	
Include components of prevention into the curriculum or camp program		Lead: Deadline:	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For example, if a class is being taught about ecosystems, include a segment on tickborne diseases and promote prevention</li> </ul>			
<p>Post Lyme disease quiz to scrolling PowerPoint or TV screen in the cafeteria or waiting areas</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reference the Toolkit – Schools/Camps section</li> </ul>			
Educate trainers, athletic directors and coaches on prevention measures		Lead: Deadline:	
Educate maintenance and landscaper staff on prevention measures and make insect repellent available		Lead: Deadline:	
<b>Prevention</b>			
Promote the use of insect repellent to faculty, staff, students and parents prior to playing outdoors, playing sports or going for a hike		Lead: Deadline:	
<p>Make insect repellent available for parents, campers, students, faculty and staff</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reference the Introduction for choosing insect repellents</li> </ul>		Lead: Deadline:	
Check students, campers, faculty and staff for ticks on their head/hairline and clothes when they are done playing outside or done hiking		Lead: Deadline:	
When taking students and campers hiking, stay in the middle of the path and avoid going into brush		Lead: Deadline:	
Prior to going on a hike or playing near brush and wooded areas, ask parents to dress kids/campers in light clothing so you can easily check for ticks		Lead: Deadline:	
Prior to athletic games, promote the use of insect repellent to players		Lead: Deadline:	

<b>Tick Control in Fields, Playgrounds and Yards</b>			
Clear tall grasses and brush around buildings and at the edges of the playground or yard		Lead: Deadline:	
Place a 3ft wide barrier of wood chips and gravel between the edge of the playground or yard and the woods as well as around all play equipment		Lead: Deadline:	
Maintain the playground by mowing the lawns, raking up leaf litter and removing all trash		Lead: Deadline:	
Remove tick breeding grounds such as old mattresses, furniture or cars from the playground or yard		Lead: Deadline:	
Keep all play equipment away from the edges of wooded areas		Lead: Deadline:	
Keep all tick carriers such as mice, deer and stray dogs out of the playground or yard		Lead: Deadline:	
Consider safely spraying a small amount of acaricide once every May or June to keep ticks away		Lead: Deadline:	
<b>Situational Awareness</b>			
Check the CDC website at <a href="http://www.cdc.gov">www.cdc.gov</a> each spring for new information or educational materials that can be used		Lead: Deadline:	
Check the NH DHHS website at <a href="http://www.dhhs.state.nh.us/">http://www.dhhs.state.nh.us/</a> for new information on Lyme disease in New Hampshire		Lead: Deadline:	