

Why Should A Child's Vision Be Screened?

The first five years of a child's life are critical in the development of good vision. Most children are not aware that they have vision problems because they have never seen clearly. They compensate so well that parents, teachers and even pediatricians do not realize that there is a problem. Vision problems are also sometimes misdiagnosed as behavioral problems. Eighty percent of learning is visual. If a child cannot see the board or read a book, they can easily become bored and lose interest, leading to inattention or disruptive behavior.



Helping Children See Their Future



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HISTORY AND PURPOSE

KidSight Vision Screenings, a part of District 2-S3 Charities, Inc., a 501(c)3 non-profit organization, is dedicated to the preservation of eyesight for children. We work with the Lions Clubs in our District to safeguard the vision of children aged 6 months through 5 years.

Our mission is to ensure early eye screenings to detect vision problems before they become untreatable. Unless childhood vision problems are detected and corrected early, they risk becoming permanent.

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DESERVES TO SEE
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EYE DISEASES DETECTED BY KIDSIGHT SCREENINGS

AMBLYOPIA – “lazy eye”. One eye is weaker than the other, making the brain choose to take in images from the stronger eye and ignore the other eye. Early treatment usually can reverse amblyopia.

STRABISMUS – “crossed eyes” send two different images to the brain. In a young child, the brain chooses to receive the image from only one eye. This condition can lead to amblyopia. Strabismus is correctable before age 8.

MYOPIA – “Nearsightedness” makes objects in the distance look blurry.

HYPEROPIA - “Farsightedness” makes objects close by appear blurry.

ASTIGMATISM – An imperfection of the curvature of the eye that causes blurred vision at both distance and near.

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