

Your Child's Hearing & Vision Impacts Their Success in School

An undiagnosed hearing

problem may impact your

child's ability to pay attention

or follow directions.

An undiagnosed vision

problem may affect your child's

ability to read and learn.

You've watched your child...

- Develop
- Grow
- Learn

Now it's time to prepare your child for success in school.



Have Your Child's Hearing and Vision Tested by Your Local Health Department Beginning at Age Three and Again Just Before the Start of Kindergarten.

These Services are Provided FREE of Charge.

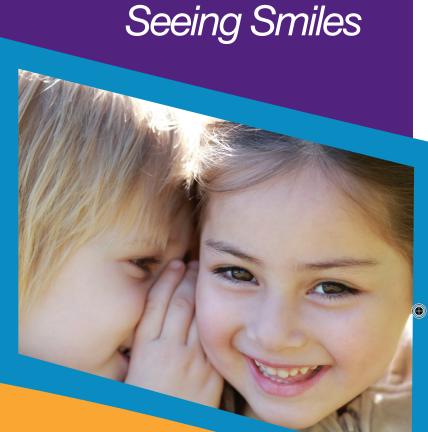
Your Local Health Department Provides FREE Hearing and Vision Screening

Department Today





Michigan's Public Health Hearing and Vision Screening Programs For Pre-School and School-Age Children



Hearing Laughter



No Child is Too Young To Have Their Hearing and Vision Screened



Michigan Law Requires: that local health departments offer hearing and vision screening at least once between the ages 3-5, in kindergarten, 2nd, and 4th grades (hearing) and 1st, 3rd, 5th, 7th, and 9th grades (vision) at no cost to families; it also requires screening PRIOR to kindergarten entry.

The earlier a problem is identified, the sooner it may be corrected and permanent damage may be prevented.

Does Your Child Have a Hearing or Vision Problem?

Your child may have a hearing problem if he/she:

- Has a history of ear infections or drainage from the ears
- Wants the television or radio louder
- Misunderstands directions or asks to have things repeated

Your child may have a vision problem if he/she:

- Squints or tilts the head to see
- Has an eye that crosses or wanders when the child is ill or tired
- Holds objects close to the eyes

If your child experiences any of these symptoms, contact your local health department now to have their hearing and vision tested.

Your Local Health Department Works in Conjunction with Your Child's School to Provide Screenings Based on the Chart Below:

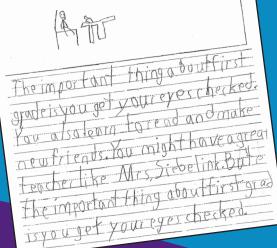
Hearing and Vision Screening Requirements	P	3
Pre-school	X	X
Kindergarten	X	
1st Grade		X
2nd Grade	X	
3rd Grade		X
4th Grade	X	
5th Grade		X
7th Grade		X
9th		X

*Some local public health departments may schedule screenings at different intervals. Call your local public health department for more information.

Children are screened in all Michigan schools, including public, private, parochial, and charter schools. Children not enrolled in a formal program can be screened at your local health department office by appointment.

Don't wait!
The screening is FREE





"The Most Important Thing About First Grade... You Get Your Eyes Checked"

"Mason was so impacted by his big brother needing glasses (through the health department vision screening at his elementary school) he wrote this essay."

Linda, mother of Logan (third grader) and Mason (first grader), from Coopersville, MI