

Lions Screen Kids Sight

Vision Screening Room Requirements

There are two testing areas that need to be selected for vision screening events. The first is a room for vision screening. The requirements for a room for vision screening is an open space with light control, where you can lower the amount of light to achieve effective screening conditions. The room does not have to be dark, just lower light levels. The auditorium, gym or the cafeteria may be good locations as long as there are few windows, as light coming in through windows is a bigger problem than the amount of overhead light. Other rooms and spaces will also work for vision screening.

In evaluating a room's fitness for vision screening, look at the light control by shutting lights off and evaluating the residual light levels and sources. If a window is causing undue residual lighting, it can be blocked using builders paper and blue painters tape which are accessories of the Spot Vision Screening kits. It could also be blocked with a rolling whiteboard if available.

Also look at the color of the walls. When setting up to do vision screening, you should set chairs up so that the children being screened, face away from any residual light source and face the darkest wall or darkest part of the room. A quick look around the room should help determine if there is suitable part of the room to match these requirements.

There should also be adequate room for setting up the number of vision screening stations that will be needed for this school. This also includes handling student traffic to and from the vision screening station(s) and for entering and leaving the test area. This becomes more important if two or three vision screening stations are used.