

## Lions Screen Kids Sight

## Vision Screening Program Review and Checklist

The **Lions Screen Kids Sight** vision screening program is preparing for the current school year. School officials will be contacted in the spring or summer by the Lions vision screening host team that will vision screen their school. The items that will be covered by the teams include any changes that will be required for the current school year, including implementing the newly released ADHS vision screening rules. Also we are requesting that the school staff or health official provide their contact information when sending out the Referral Letter.

A new MOU needs to be signed for 2024 - 2025 and it will be good for two years. This is a result of the release of ADHS vision screening rules for 2024-2025. Schools need to fill in the grades to be vision screened after consultation with their Lions host team if different that preK – 2, 4. The latest version MOU will be sent to all schools.

For district and charter schools, we can provide our vision screening opt-out form, for those parents that want to opt out. For preschools and private schools, a consent form for the new school year needs to be signed by the parents of each student, before that student can be screened. There are two versions, <u>D2. Vision Screening Consent Form</u> and <u>D3. Vision Screening Consent Form – Opt Out.</u> The first version is a straightforward permission to allow children to be vision screened and the second version has an opt-out check-box for parents who don't want their children to be vision screened. Schools can select which version that they prefer. To increase student participation rates for vision screening, the consent forms should be included in the beginning of the school year student packets. The latest versions of both Consent Forms will be sent to the schools.

Each school's Lions host team will review with the school, locations for visions screening and color testing to see if there will be any changes from last year. Each school's Lions host team will also work with the school, to set up a vision screening date.

Several additional documents will be sent to each school including this document, the Referral Letter that must be sent out to every parent or guardian of those students that are referred by the vision screening event, D9. Vision Screening Opt-Out Form and E8. Format For 3 x 5 Index Card System.

Schools will be contacted 5 -7 days before the vision screening event by the Lions host team for final details. Items to review include any health safety protocols if needed, which grades will be vision screened, time to arrive, how many tables and chairs will be required, how many Lions you anticipate will be there, confirm that the MOU has been signed, confirm that consent forms have been signed for the students that will be screened (only for private schools and pre-schools) and remind schools to prepare the 3 X 5 index cards.

## School Checklist:

- Confirm any changes for new school year including any health safety protocols if needed
- Fill-out and sign a new MOU
- Get consent form signed by the parents of each student (for preschools and private schools)
- Use the latest version Referral Letter and send school staff contact information with it
- Confirm locations for vision screening and color testing
- Set-up a vision screening date
- Fill out index card for each student

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