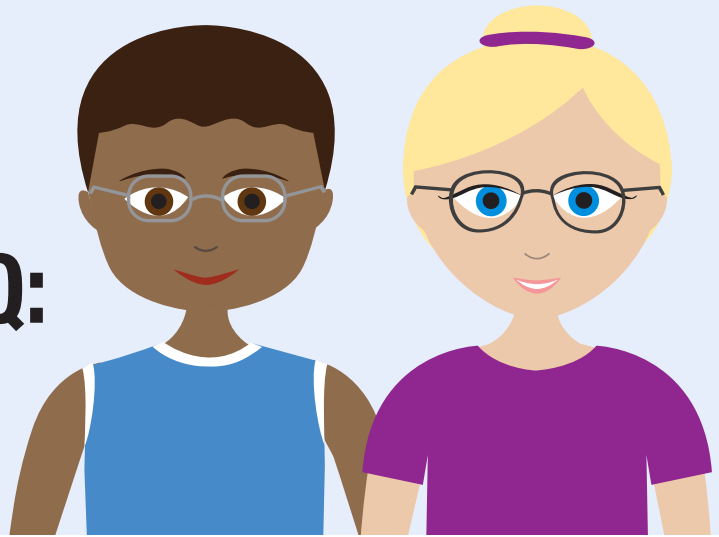


# Vision Center FAQ: For families



## **Q: What are some signs my child needs an eye exam?**

A: There are many reasons a child may need an eye exam. Some of the signs to look out for include:

- Trouble seeing things in the distance
- Trouble reading or seeing things nearby
- Squinting
- Eye pain, itching or redness
- Eyelid lumps, bumps or swelling
- Headaches with reading
- Eye fatigue or strain with reading
- Family history of eye disease

## **Q: How can I tell if my child may need glasses?**

A: Children often display certain “symptoms” of declining eyesight, including:

- Squinting
- Rubbing eyes excessively
- Not being able to see far away things
- Frequently closing one eye

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**Q: How often should my child see an eye doctor?**

A: Full eye exams should be completed once a year. If symptoms or eye problems are happening, another exam may be needed sooner.

**Q: Can my child get glasses or contact lenses at the Vision Center?**

A: Your child can be fitted for, and order, glasses through the school-based Vision Center, but contact lenses are not available.

**Q: What can I expect after my child has an eye exam?**

A: If your child's eyes were dilated during their exam, you can expect them to be sensitive to light and have blurry vision for a few hours. They may be given sunglasses to wear because of the light sensitivity.

**Q: Does the Vision Center accept insurance?**

A: Yes, just like a doctor's office, we accept Medicaid and other insurance. No child will be denied care due to inability to pay for services.

**Q: What if I have questions about my child's eye exam?**

A: If you have any questions or concerns, please call (614) 355-2590, option 7.



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