

What it Screens For

Patients should only receive a PASS/REFER notice after the screening. The screener is meant for early detection of the following eye disorders but not as a tool for diagnosis:

- Hyperopia (farsightedness)
- Myopia (nearsightedness)
- Astigmatism (blurred vision)
- Anisometropia (unequal refractive power)
- Anisocoria (unequal pupil size)
- Strabismus (eye misalignment)
- Media opacities (e.g. cataracts or corneal scars)
- Amblyopia (lazy eye)

For more information, please contact the Foundation office.

Why the Lions Help

The Lions of Illinois Foundation is a nonprofit organization with members throughout the state of Illinois.

Since 1925, the Lions have taken the challenge given to them by Helen Keller. Addressing the Lions at their convention she urged them to become:

“Knights of the Blind in the Crusade Against Blindness.”



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*Serving People with Vision and Hearing Needs
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Children's Vision Screenings



Plusoptix S12 Camera



Welch Allyn SPOT Camera

***Screening the vision of
children 6 months to 6
years of age***

The Device

The Lions of Illinois Foundation has collaborated with Plusoptix in order to use the Plusoptix S12 camera to perform free vision screenings for the children of Illinois, specifically those in the formative years of infancy and early childhood. Screenings will be provided by trained Lions in each district.



Young children who may not be able to express their vision problems or who do not know they have them can end up compensating so well that their parents do not realize there is any issue. The longer vision issues go without attention, the greater the risk of long-term effects.

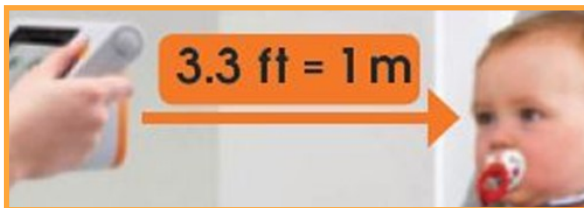
That's why when eye disorders in young children are detected early, prior to annual school vision screenings, it is more likely that they can be addressed so that the child does not experience life-long vision issues.

The free screenings will take place at preschools, daycares, and other child-centered locations. **This pre-screening is not a substitute for the required vision screening for Illinois state public schools.** Parents are simply given a PASS or REFER reading after their child's screening. PASS means that the child's vision is within the normal range. REFER means that they should be seen by an eye doctor. Parental permission is required.

Screenings do not take the place of an exam given by an eye care professional.

How It Works

- There is no physical contact with child and no eye-drops needed.
- Results are produced in seconds.
- Children are screened from approximately three feet away.



Testimonials



"Several children were screened, referred to an eye doctor, and got glasses; they improved greatly in class. —O'Fallon

"When we returned to a daycare/preschool in Cahokia, a young girl was wearing glasses and was told she received them because of our program. —District 1-CN

"Teachers told me of another young boy whom we screened and referred to the eye doctor. They realized several clues were missed: the grandmother said that he always sat so close to watch TV, and a teacher said he always came up close when she read story books to the class."

—Lion Barbara Taylor