



Lions Vision Screening and Hearing Screening Information Form



Dear Junior Kindergarten and Senior Kindergarten Parents/Guardians,

The Lions are offering a hearing and vision screening to your child in Junior Kindergarten and Senior Kindergarten at your school on:

This service is provided free of charge by volunteers trained by the Lions in your area. Each volunteer has been carefully trained in the administration of the screener tools. We are very fortunate to have this valuable community support. The screening information gathered by these trained volunteers is **not** a replacement for a thorough examination by a healthcare professional.

The following vision screens will be completed:

- **visual acuity** using a wall chart from a distance of 10 feet
- **stereo acuity** using polarized glasses and three dimensional card
- **colour blindness** using cards with coloured pixels
- **auto refractor** which measures the eye's focus ability, the eye shape and how well the eyes work together.

The hearing screen is a simple procedure to determine the level at which your child is hearing sounds in each ear. Wearing a headset, the child listens to speech prompts and points to pictures that correspond to the directions given.

All screens are fun and easy to do. Parents will receive the results for both the vision and hearing screens. **The key is to take the vision screen results to a Doctor of Optometry for a complete eye examination.** The hearing report may recommend that you consult your family doctor and/or an audiologist. Results of the screens will be shared with the principal who may share results with the appropriate classroom teacher.

Did You Know ?

- **All** children should have their eyes tested by an Optometrist as recommended by the Ontario Association of Optometry (OAO).
- 80% of learning is done directly through vision.
- **Up to 25%** of children may have some form of vision problem, yet only 10-14 % of children under the age of 6 have had their vision checked (OAO).
- **All** children have examinations fully paid for by OHIP (Health Card).
- **All** Junior Kindergarten children (born 2012) who require glasses can receive a **free pair** from participating Eye See Eye Learn Optometrists – this is arranged for by the Ontario Association of Optometrists, Nikon Lenswear and OGI Eyewear. (This offer is available until June 30, 2017.)

If you do not wish your child(ren) to participate in the vision screening and/or hearing screen, please notify the school in writing indicating that you do not give permission for the vision screen and/or hearing screen.

This Screening and Hearing Screening Testing Is By The Aurora Lions Club Ontario
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