

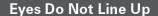
Make Sure Their Eyes Are Ready

Healthy vision is important for learning and success in school. 1 in 20 preschoolers and 1 in 4 school-aged children has a vision problem, and you may not even know it! Sometimes children have trouble seeing and don't even realize they are seeing the world differently than others. Children with vision problems may misbehave because it is hard for them to see to learn. In order to catch these problems early, Prevent Blindness Wisconsin recommends a complete vision screening every year for children between the ages 3 and 6, and at ages 8, 10, 12, 15, and 18. There are some things that you may notice as a parent. Read and answer the following questions about your child:

Appearance Questions

1.	Do your child's eyes not fully line up, cross in, or turn out?	YES	N0
2.	Are your child's eyes red, encrusted, or swollen?	YES	N0
3.	Are your child's eyes watery or itchy?	YES	N0
4.	Do your child's eyes not fully open?	YES	NO







Red Eyes



Eyes Not Fully Open

Behavior Questions

5.	Does your child rub their eyes a lot?	YES	NO	
6.	Does your child close or cover one eye when looking at something far away?	YES	N0	
7.	Does your child tilt their head when trying to see	YES	NO	
0	or read something far away?			
8.	Does your child quint or frown when trying to see far away?	YES	NO	
9.	Does your child blink more than normal?	YES	N0	
10.	Does your child hold books close to their face?	YES	N0	
11.	Does your child sit close to the TV or computer?	YES	NO	
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Complaint Questions

12.	Does your child say "it's too blurry"?	YES	N0
13.	Does your child say "my eyes hurt/burn"?	YES	NO
14.	Does your child say "I feel dizzy/sick/ I have a headache"?	YES	NO

If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, please make an eye doctor appointment for your child.

Guides to local eye doctors are available on wisconsin.preventblindness.org or ask your child's school nurse for help!

What to do if You Suspect a Problem

- 1. If you have a private vision insurance plan please contact your plan's Member Services to find an eye doctor.
- 2. If you have BadgerCare Plus (Medicaid) please contact Member Services at 1-800-362-3002 or at memberservice@wisconsin.gov.
 - ☐ If your child does not have an HMO, you do not know your child's HMO, or your child is not currently enrolled in BadgerCare Plus, please contact your local BadgerCare Plus Consortium Office, listed below, for assistance.
- 3. If you cannot afford vision care or glasses, financial assistance may be available. See our voucher criteria below.

Voucher Program Criteria Includes:

- ☐ Family income is at or below 200% of poverty level (if your family meets the criteria for free and reduced lunch, you will qualify)
- ☐ Child is not covered by Medicaid or any other vision insurance
- ☐ Child is 19 years old or younger and has not graduated high school
- Child has not used a voucher during the last 12 months

BadgerCare Plus Local Consortium Contact Information

CONSORTIUM	COUNTIES SERVED
Bay Lake Consortium: 1-888-794-5747	Brown, Door, Marinette, Oconto, Shawano
Capital Consortium: 1-888-794-5556	Adams, Columbia, Dane, Dodge, Juneau, Richland, Sauk
East Central IM Partnership: 1-888-256-4563	Calumet, Green Lake, Kewaunee, Manitowoc, Marquette, Outagamie, Sheboygan, Waupaca, Waushara, Winnebago
Great Rivers Consortium: 1-888-283-0012	Barron, Burnett, Chippewa, Douglas, Dunn, Eau Claire, Pierce, Polk, St. Croix, Washburn
IM Central Consortium: 1-888- 445-1621	Langlade, Marathon, Oneida, Portage
Milwaukee Enrollment Service (MilES): 1-888-947-6583	Milwaukee
Morraine Lakes Consortium: 1-888-446-1239	Fond du Lac, Ozaukee, Walworth, Washington, Waukesha
Northern IM Consortium: 1-888-794-5722	Ashland, Bayfield, Florence, Forest, Iron, Lincoln, Price, Rusk, Sawyer, Taylor, Vilas, Wood
Southern Consortium: 1-888-794-5780	Crawford, Grant, Green, Iowa, Jefferson, Lafayette, Rock
Western Region for Economic Assistance: 1-888-627-0430	Buffalo, Clark, Jackson, La Crosse, Monroe, Pepin, Trempealeau, Vernon
WKRP: 1-888-794-5820	Kenosha, Racine

^{*}If you would like more information about getting a voucher, please contact your school nurse or Prevent Blindness Wisconsin at 414-765-0505.