



FREE EYE EXAM AND GLASSES - SCHOOL PROGRAM



Dear Parent/Guardian,

The Florida Heiken Children's Vision Program is offering comprehensive eye exams and glasses if necessary, for Florida public school students in your county who qualify to participate. This program is available at no cost to you or your child's school.

If your child is able to participate after verification, we will send you a form through your child's school with the name, address and phone number to a participating doctor, for you to call and schedule an appointment. The doctor will also receive the same form to have your child's information on file. When there are 15 or more eligible students in one school, we may schedule our mobile eye care unit to visit your child's school to perform the eye exams.

The comprehensive eye exam, administered by an eye doctor, includes a thorough examination of your child's vision and eye health. In order to perform the examination, eye drops are used to dilate the pupils, which allows the doctor to get the most accurate eye health information and prescription information needed for eye glasses, should they benefit your child. The drops are safe, and adverse reactions are extremely rare. Light sensitivity and blurry near vision are normal for up to 4-6 hours following the exam.

For your child to participate in this FREE program, please fill out the attached form completely, sign at the bottom and have your child return the form to the school nurse or counselor.

Remember: As 85% of what a child perceives, comprehends, and remembers depends on the visual system. It is imperative that all children have the gift of good vision for success in school and their future. Last year, about 80% of those who were examined needed glasses. Your child may need glasses!

If you have any questions please contact your child's school counselor or the Heiken main office at (305) 856-9830 or 1-888-996-9847.



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Free Exam & Eyeglasses School Program



For School Personnel use Only:

County: _____
Mandatory Two Vision Screening Fail Dates: #1 _____ #2 _____
 Is the Student on the Free or Reduced Lunch Program? Circle One: YES NO
 Signature: _____ Date: _____

School (full name) _____ Grade _____ Teacher _____ Student I.D. _____
 Student's Name _____ Male/Female _____ Student's Date of Birth _____
 Address _____ Apt _____ City _____ Zip Code _____
 Home Phone _____ Parent's Day Phone _____
 Parent/Guardian Name _____ Email Address _____

Ethnicity (Circle One): African-American Asian Hispanic Native-American White (non-Hispanic) Haitian Other
 Spoken Language (Circle One): English Spanish Creole Portuguese Other _____

Does your child wear glasses? Yes _____ No _____ Broken _____ Lost _____

Has your child seen an eye doctor in the past year? Yes _____ No _____

Please list any eye problems your child has: _____

Please list any medication or eye drops your child uses: _____

Please list any allergies your child has: _____

Does your child have any special needs/development delays? Yes _____ No _____

Does your child require any auxiliary aids (such as interpreter, sign language, visual aids, wheelchair, Braille?) Yes _____ No _____

If Yes, please explain: _____

Has your **child** had any of the following:

Has your child's **family** had any of the following:

YES NO

- Eye Surgery / Injury
- Eye Turn / Strabismus / Lazy Eye
- Vision Therapy / Eye Patching
- Glaucoma
- Diabetes
- Sickle Cell
- Asthma
- Headaches
- Other

YES NO

- Eye Turn / Strabismus / Lazy Eye
- Blindness
- Macular Degeneration
- Glaucoma
- High Blood Pressure
- Sickle Cell
- Other

Please explain any "YES" answers from above: _____

Consent for eye examinations - By signing below, I authorize Florida Heiken Children's Vision Program to provide my eligible child with a full eye health examination including dilation, either at the school site by a mobile Optometrist or at the office of an assigned participating provider.

Notice of privacy practices - By signing below, I understand that the Notice of Privacy Practices for the Florida Heiken Children's Vision Program is available for review if I should request a copy via phone at (305)856-9830 / 1(888)996-9847.

Mutual exchange of information - By signing below, I authorize the mutual release of information between the Florida Heiken Children's Vision Program and your County Public Schools of any and all optometry medical reports on my child to participating program providers. I also authorize my County Public School to release any required information listed above that may be missing or unclear to process this application.

Claims—If your child is covered under any insurance plan, we may inform you and send you a list of local doctors who accept your plan.

*I/We release and hold harmless the County School Board of any and all responsibility and liability for any injury or claim resulting from participation in the Florida Heiken Children's Vision program because of accident or mishap involving the participation of my child/ward in the program.

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE _____ **Date:** _____

The Florida Heiken Children's Vision Program is an equal opportunity organization and does not discriminate against otherwise qualified applicants on the basis of race, color, religion, ancestry, age, sex, marital status, national origin, disability or veteran status.

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School Contact: Please fax completed form with Heiken Fax Cover Sheet to (305)856-9840 / 1(888)980-8474