

Lions KidSight USA Foundation

Ensuring your child's healthy vision starts at an early age, especially before they enter primary school. Here is a link to information and resources that can help keep your child on the road to healthy vision for life.

<https://www.aoa.org/patients-and-public/good-vision-throughout-life/childrens-vision/preschool-vision-3-to-5-years-of-age?sso=y>



For more information call the Oklahoma Lions State Office at the number below, or

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The Oklahoma City Community Foundation

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Children Need Vision Screening

According to the experts, 80% of learning is visual. If a child can not see, learning becomes difficult. Most children do not get vision screened until they display problems in school and by then, many times it is too late. Unless vision problems are detected early and corrected, they risk becoming permanent by age (7) seven.

Oklahoma Lions KidSight program is a statewide Lions project under the National Lions KidSight Foundation. Lions KidSight USA is a national coalition that brings together Lions programs to create a coordinated national program. The foundation strives to safeguard the vision of children ages 6 month through 18 years. The foundation strives to safeguard the vision of children with specific emphasis on those up to 6 years old for preventive purposes.

USA Lions screen over a million children per year through state-wide and local programs known as "KidSight."

Screening in Oklahoma



Above: Oklahoma Langston Lions, lead by Alberta Mayberry, PhD, screening the youth at Coyle Public Schools.

KidSight Welch Allen Spot Vision equipment screens for risk factors as:

- **Astigmatism:** irregular shaped cornea
- **Myopia:** nearsightedness
- **Hyperopia:** farsightedness
- **Strabismus:** misalignment of the eyes
- **Amblyopia:** lazy eye
- **Anisometropia:** unequal refractive power
- **Anisocoria:** pupil size anomalies

Oklahoma Lions KidSight started with a grant from the Lions Clubs International Foundation in 2013, obtaining 5 cameras to start a pilot program. Since, grants have been received by the Enbridge Foundation, and the Oklahoma City Community Foundation to expand the program. Under the leadership and vision of Lion Tom Cummings we now have a 10 cameras and have screened approximately 20,000 Ok children.

Screening Camera

The program is based on the use of the Welch Allyn SPOT VS100 Screener (SPOT screening device). The training and operation of this equipment is quite simple and is performed within 3 feet from the child. The SPOT screening device operates like a camera; screener will input child's age range to start the device. It comes with a wireless printer for printing results. Screening only takes an average of 20 seconds to perform and results are printed immediately.

Training is required for volunteers who will be using the Oklahoma Lions Pediatric Vision Screening program. Call the OK Lions state office for more details: [405-947-6540](tel:405-947-6540).



Above: PCC Lion Tom Cummings screens a child from Cushing, Oklahoma.

Oklahoma's Children are counting on YOU!