



Hearing Screening Information Letter

To: Parent/Caregiver

Date Hearing screenings will be administered: Beginning November 22, 2021

To all preschool and students in grades: Preschool

Why is it important to have your child's hearing screened?

- Hearing is important for speech, language development, reading and learning.
- A hearing screening can detect if your child needs further hearing testing.
- Even if your child has passed a hearing screening previously, their hearing can change.
- Hearing problems can be related to medical problems.
- Hearing loss is invisible and child may appear to be not paying attention.

Hearing screening will consist of one or more of the following tests:

- Tympanometry - Screening of middle ear function to determine presence/absence of middle ear fluid and/or wax which could interfere with normal hearing.
- Audiometry - Screening of hearing acuity.
- Otoacoustic Emissions (OAE) - An objective test that screens for an estimate of hearing sensitivity.

If your child passes the hearing screening, you may not be contacted.

A hearing screening only provides a snapshot of how your child performs on the day the test was administered and is not a substitute for a complete hearing evaluation by an audiologist.

If your child fails either part of the screening, a rescreen and/or referral will be made.

Please direct any questions to:

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