

# Vision Screenings



Iowa Administrative Code 641—52.1(135) requires Kindergarten and Third Grade students to provide proof of a vision screening to schools and schools are to submit the Vision Screening forms to the Iowa Department of Public Health (IDPH).

**Kindergarten Screening:** A screening will be valid if it is done up to 1 year prior to enrollment and no later than 6 months after enrollment.

**3rd Grade Screening:** A screening will be valid if it is done no earlier than 1 year prior to the first day of school and no later than 6 months after the first day of school.

There are no audit requirements for the vision screening requirement.

Schools are still required to send out the Student Vision Card for registering preschool and kindergarten students according to IAC 280.7A. To order more cards please go to [www.iowaoptometry.org](http://www.iowaoptometry.org)

Schools will be able to fax all proof of vision screenings provided by the parents or providers and vision cards received to IDPH, or the school can enter in the vision screening results to the Iowa Immunization Registry Information System (IRIS). To access IRIS if you are not registered, please contact Kim Tichy (515)28-4288

Click on the link to access the [Vision Screening Form](#)

You can also access frequently asked questions about the vision screening requirement on the link above.

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