HEALTH SCREENINGS

Health screenings done at school for vision and hearing result in the early detection of health impairments. These are screenings and not examinations. If a referral is sent home on the behalf of a student, attention by a health care provider is strongly recommended for diagnosis and possible prescribed treatment.

Vision Screenings

Children screened:

- 1. Students in kindergarten, first, third, fifth, seventh, ninth, and eleventh grades
- 2. All new and transfer students with no previously documented vision screening
- 3. Students referred by a teacher.
- 4. Preschool-age children enrolled in school-based programs.
- 5. Students who request a vision screening.
- 6. Students whose parents request a vision hearing.

The nurses at Kings Local Schools have partnered with Prevent Blindness America to enable qualifying children (those that do not have any type of vision insurance and meet financial need) to receive a gift certificate for an examination and glasses if prescribed. Please contact your building nurse for more information.

Hearing Screenings

Children screened:

- 1. Preschoolers attending a school-based program.
- 2. School-aged children in kindergarten, first, third, fifth, ninth, & eleventh grades.
- 3. Students new to a school (and not tested within the past 12 months).
- 4. Students referred by a teacher or other school personnel.
- 5. Students who were referred within the past year with no documented follow-up
- 6. Students at risk for noise exposure
- 7. Students who request a hearing screening
- 8. Students whose parents request a hearing screening.

In the event a referral is sent home, please have your physician or health care provider complete the referral form with test results. This completed form should be returned to school so that proper documentation can be maintained in your child's health folder.