

IOWA

Student Health Screening Requirements



3rd Grade

Vision Screening

- No earlier than 1 year prior and no later than 6 months after enrollment
- Can be provided by ophthalmologist or optometrist or pediatrician's or family practice physician's office, a free clinic, a child care center, a local public health department, a public or accredited nonpublic school, or a community-based organization or by an advanced registered nurse practitioner or physician assistant
- Submitted electronically through IRIS or hard copy (no required form)

9th Grade

Dental Screening

- No earlier than 1 year prior to enrollment and no later than 4 months after enrollment
- Must be provided by licensed dentist or dental hygienist
- Must use IDPH Certificate of Dental Screening

Kindergarten

Dental Screening

- No earlier than age 3 and no later than 4 months after enrollment
- Can be provided by a licensed dentist, dental hygienist, physician, physician assistant, registered nurse or ARNP
- Must use IDPH Certificate of Dental Screening

Vision Screening

- No earlier than 1 year prior and no later than 6 months after enrollment
- Can be provided by ophthalmologist or optometrist or pediatrician's or family practice physician's office, a free clinic, a child care center, a local public health department, a public or accredited nonpublic school, or a community-based organization or by an advanced registered nurse practitioner or physician assistant
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Lead Screening

- At least one Blood Lead Test should occur prior to six years of age
- List of students supplied by school districts to IDPH within 60 days of enrollment

Schools are a critical partner in ensuring students are healthy and ready to learn. It is important to link students with available services to provide the best opportunity for the student to succeed. In Iowa, there are four health screening programs regulated by the state and implemented by the schools: immunization, dental, vision and blood lead.

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