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- Children are at risk for a wide range of eye and vision disorders, but comprehensive eye exams conducted by a doctor of optometry both annually and at key developmental milestones in a child's life can improve detection, diagnosis, and early prevention or treatment of eye conditions.
- Only through a comprehensive eye exam can doctors of optometry get a complete picture of a child's overall health. It allows a thorough view of the inside of the eye and is necessary to detect problems that a simple vision screening can miss, including a wide range of ocular and systemic disorders.
- While vision screenings can be helpful, they can also give parents a false sense of security as there are a range of vision problems that may be missed. In their initial stages, many vision conditions lack obvious signs or symptoms and can go completely unnoticed, causing delays in the detection and treatment of a potentially serious or life-limiting condition.
- Optometrists don't just look at eye health. We also evaluate the whole visual system of the patient, including learning-related vision problems. That's why early detection and treatment provide the very best opportunity to manage and correct vision problems to help children see clearly.
- Research has shown that vision problems are associated with delayed development, poor performance in school and social settings, and low self-esteem. The bottom line: the sooner eye problems are identified and addressed, the better the outcome in childhood and beyond.

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- A comprehensive eye exam is the best thing you can do for your child's #eyehealth! It's the only way to check for eye diseases early on (when they're easier to treat) and before they cause #vision loss.
- #Healthyeyes start with an eye exam. Regular, comprehensive eye exams can help protect sight and make sure patients are seeing their best.
- Children often don't know how they should see or feel and may not report if something is wrong. Dilation ensures the exam is accurate, the eyes and child's overall health have been thoroughly examined, and treatment (including glasses) is prescribed to the best corrected #vision.
- Some parents rely on vision screenings to check for eye problems, but that isn't enough. Without a comprehensive eye exam, many children may suffer from undetected #vision problems.
- Many bright children achieve below their level of competency because they are limited by their #vision issues, and could benefit from annual #eyeexams.