



Hello Farrell B Howell Families,

Denver Public Schools provides **free** vision, hearing, and dental screenings for all students in identified grades (Early Childhood Education, Kindergarten, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 5th, 7th, and 9th).

The screenings are NOT an assessment or an evaluation and do NOT replace professional exams. Mass screening is considered best practice to identify students who may be at risk for health concerns affecting the student's ability to learn, and who may need extra support to reach academic benchmarks.

Your student will receive screenings in the following areas:

Vision, Hearing, and Dental. Resources are available for DPS enrolled students.

You must notify your school nurse **directly** should you wish to **REFUSE/OPT OUT** of any of the free screenings for your student.

The health screening components of *vision, hearing and dental* will be completed at your child's school on:

- Initial Screening Date(s): March 17th, 20th
- Recheck Screening Date(s): March 21st

Please contact your school nurse for any questions or concerns about the health screenings. *Parents/guardians of students who were absent or who did not have optimal hearing, vision or dental screening results will be notified in writing regarding the results.*

Thank you for your assistance as we work together to educate and support your student!

Sincerely,

School Nurse **Denise Overbey, RN**

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