



## LIONS/LIONESS VISION AND HEARING SCREENING

Dear Principal:

There is widespread agreement that early and ongoing vision care is important for all children, especially those in the early development ages. It is estimated that one in six children have a vision problem. Since eighty percent of what children learn comes from their eyes and vision, it is important to detect vision problems before they affect a child's performance in school.

Again this year, the Lions of District A-16 will be performing vision screenings on **senior kindergarten students**. This vision screening project is designed to identify children who have poor eyesight, amblyopia or lazy eyes, misaligned eyes, and significant far-sightedness or astigmatism that would interfere with the child's ability to see. The health of the eyes will not be assessed.

We will contact your school to discuss the program with you and schedule the screenings at your convenience if you wish to again participate in this valuable program. In order to properly administer the screening, the volunteers will need a quiet, well lit area with good fluorescent lighting, five or six chairs and a small desk.

Vision Screening Permission Forms will be made available, so that they can be sent home with the children who will be screened. Each child will receive an envelope with the Vision Screening Report form inside to take home at the end of the screening.

We look forward to your support in this worthwhile project.

Sincerely

Vision Screening Coordinator