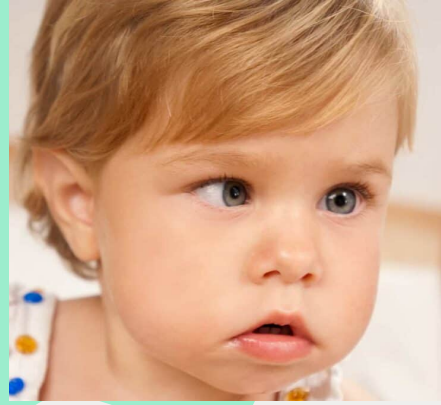


Elmbrook Schools Amblyopia Awareness

Children's vision health is extremely important to their developmental process. Children should get an eye tested at 3, 4, and 5 and then every 2 years after.

What is Amblyopia?

Amblyopia, also as known as "Lazy Eye", is reduced vision in one eye caused by abnormal visual development in the stages of childhood. Amblyopia generally develops from ages 0-7 and is the leading cause of vision problems in children.



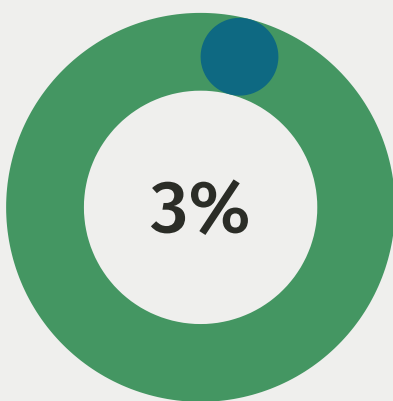
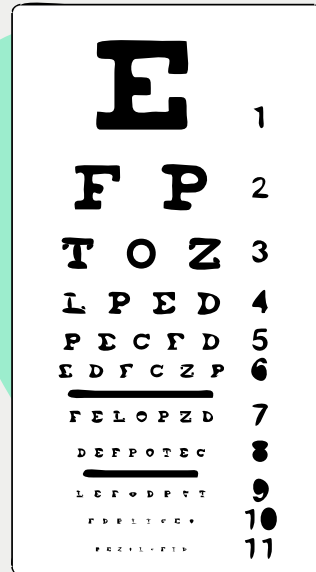
What are the signs?

Some common symptoms include:

- poor depth perception
- wandering eye
- squinting or shutting of an eye
- head tilting
- abnormal results following vision screening

Risk Factors

- Were born early (premature)
- Were smaller than average at birth
- Have a family history of amblyopia, childhood cataracts, or other eye conditions
- Have developmental disabilities



Amblyopia affects 3% of the population

If gone undetected after 7 years, there is a higher chance of permanent vision loss.



Eye Care Providers in the Area

Scan the QR code to access the list of eye care providers in the local area. Referrals can also be provided through your child's pediatrician.



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