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VISION SCREENING NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENT

TITLE 77 ADMINISTRATIVE CODE SECTION 685.110

Section 685.110(d) requires screening programs to inform parents/guardians PRIOR TO SCREENING and IN WRITING that vision screening will be conducted and that screening is not a substitute for a full vision exam. The following language must be included in the notice:

“Vision screening is not a substitute for a complete eye and vision examination by an eye doctor. Your child is not required to undergo the vision screening if an optometrist or ophthalmologist has completed and signed a report indicating that an eye examination has been administered within the previous 12 months”.

This notice is NOT a “consent” to screen and it must clearly inform parents that unless there is a vision examination report from a doctor in the child’s file, the screening (at mandated age and grade levels) will be done.

Notification can be done through a school web-site, school handbook, a newsletter, the school calendar, a separate notice, etc. It is advisable to mention hearing screening in this notice as well.