



Iowa Department of Public Health CERTIFICATE OF DENTAL SCREENING

This certificate is not valid unless all fields are complete.
RETURN COMPLETED FORM TO CHILD'S SCHOOL.

Student Information (please print)

Student Last Name:	Student First Name:	Birth Date (M/D/YYYY):
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Screening Information (health care provider must complete this section)

Date of Dental Screening: _____

Treatment Needs (check ONE only based on screening results, prior to treatment services provided):

- ☐ **No Obvious Problems** – the child's hard and soft tissues appear to be visually health and there is no apparent reason for the child to be seen before the next routine dental checkup.
- ☐ **Requires Dental Care** – tooth decay¹ or a white spot lesion² is suspected in one or more teeth, or gum infection³ is suspected.
- ☐ **Requires Urgent Dental Care** – obvious tooth decay¹ is present in one or more teeth, there is evidence of injury or severe infection, or the child is experiencing pain.

¹ Tooth Decay: A visible cavity or hole in a tooth with brown or black coloration, or a retained root.

² White spot lesion: A demineralized area of a tooth, usually appearing as a chalky, white spot or white line near the gumline. A white spot lesion is considered an early indicator of tooth decay, especially in primary (baby) teeth.

³ Gum infection: Gum (gingival) tissue is red, bleeding, or swollen.

Screening Provider (check ONE only):

☐ DDS/DMD ☐ RDH ☐ MD/DO ☐ PA ☐ RN/ARNP (High school screen must be provided by DDS/DMD or RDH)

Provider Name: (please print) _____ Phone: _____

Provider Business Address: _____

Signature and Credentials of
Provider or Recorder*: _____ Date: _____

*Recorder: An authorized provider (DDS/DMD, RDH MD/DO, PA, or RN/ARNP) may transfer information on this form from another health department. The other health document should be attached to this form.

A screening does not replace an exam by a dentist.
Children should have a complete examination by a dentist at least once a year.

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