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The Eye Institute

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School Vision Program Wraps Up Impactful Year



Learning and Thriving

- According to the American Optometric Association, “80% of learning is visual,” and TEI’s School Vision Programs provide students with the support they need to learn, thrive, and succeed academically.

Great Teamwork

- Pediatric eye doctors and optometric interns work closely with school nurses to visit schools for high-volume vision screenings.

The Eye Institute (TEI)

- TEI is one of only a few organizations in

Essential Screenings

- This past school year, The Eye Institute (TEI) of Drexel University screened more than 8,900 children at schools across Philadelphia and Montgomery counties.

Wide Distribution

- TEI provided 1,415 comprehensive eye exams to children across the nine districts served by the program and distributed 2,387 pairs of prescription eyeglasses at no cost.

Further Support

Philadelphia working to fill this void in care by providing vision screenings, eyeglasses, and eye health exams for underserved children in the community.

- If a child is identified as needing further eye care, TEI provides comprehensive eye exams through either its mobile unit or by transporting students to one of TEI's clinical locations.

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Is Screen Time Affecting Your Child's Eyes?

Screens have become a huge part of children's everyday lives. From learning to entertainment, including social media, video chatting, online homework, and virtual classes, nearly their entire world lives on a screen.

Expert eye doctors at [The Eye Institute \(TEI\)](#) of Drexel University are well aware of these concerns and are here to help parents and guardians set manageable and safe screen limits for children.



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Pediatric Eye Specialist Helps Shape Future Treatment For 'Lazy Eye'

Primary eye care providers looking for an evidence-based tool to treat amblyopia now have a road map. And a pediatric eye doctor from The Eye Institute (TEI) helped develop the research that made the tool possible.

[Dr. Stanley Hatch, chief of the Pediatric/Binocular Vision Services at TEI](#), was one of 22 pediatric eye disease investigators participating in more than 20 randomized clinical trials over nearly four years to develop an “evidence-based decision tree” for treating amblyopia, commonly known as “lazy eye.”



The research has been published in JAMA Ophthalmology, a monthly peer-reviewed medical journal covering aspects of ophthalmology, and the information is now available on a free app called Amblyopia Navigator Decision-Support Instrument (ANDI), so primary care eye doctors can utilize the information.

If you have 'lazy eye' and need a comprehensive eye exam or treatment, call 215.276.6111 or visit [our website](#).

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Real World Diabetes Workshops

A series of free interactive workshops will be held at The Eye Institute from **10 a.m. to noon on Mondays starting Sept. 14, 2026, and running through Nov. 16, 2026**. Healthcare professionals will be available to discuss how diabetes affects your body - physically and mentally, including vision and hearing.

Optional HbA1c, weight, blood pressure, and hearing screenings will be available at no cost. Please note that this is a series of workshops, so attendance at each session is strongly recommended.

All workshops will be held at The Eye Institute, 1200 W. Godfrey Ave., Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 19141.

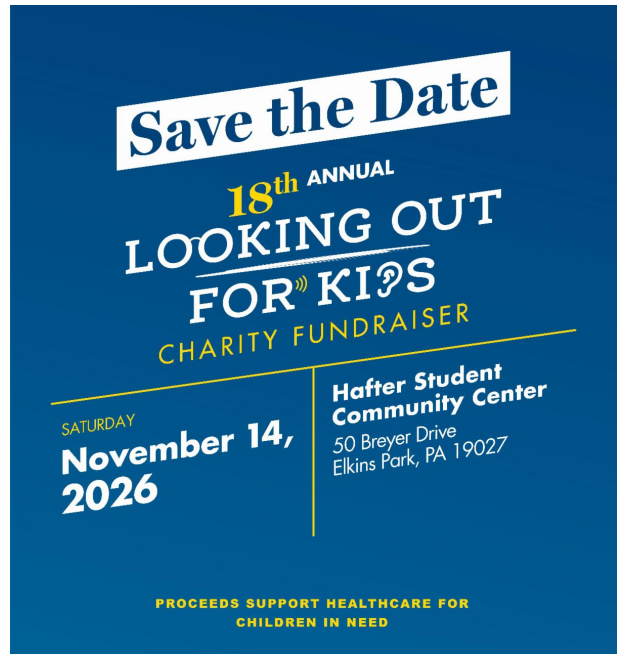
For information and to register, call 215.276.6070 or email gym22@drexel.edu.

[For more background information, read this article about the last series.](#)

Looking Out for Kids

Save the Date

The 18th annual "Looking Out for Kids" fundraiser will be on **Saturday, Nov. 14, 2026**, at the Hafter Student Community Center on the Drexel University Elkins Park campus.



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