

OneSight Vision Center Serves as Model for School Eye Care

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OneSight is the first self-sustaining school-based vision center and it will be serving mainly kids from the Greater Cincinnati area. Even prior to opening it was considered to be a model for similar centers all over Ohio by the state's Optometric Association.

The OneSight Vision Center at Oyler School will provide quality vision care for approximately 2,000 Greater Cincinnati children who did not previously have access to eye care services due to lack of insurance, financial need, transportation and other barriers. Think of the impact this could make across the country. A visionary public-private partnership made this unique vision center a reality.

Dr. Marilyn Crumpton, Director of the Cincinnati Health Department's School and Adolescent Health Division, said that the service provided by OneSight could prove invaluable in improving academic outcomes for the city's students. Crumpton's department will be handling the day-to-day operation at OneSight, along with overseeing a health center which is also located on school grounds.

The OneSight Vision Center at Oyler School is a result of the Community Learning Center model being incorporated through the Cincinnati Public School District. It will serve more than 2,000 Greater Cincinnati students annually, with priority given to those referred for an IEP and those with failed vision screenings.

Among other services, OneSight will administer eye exams, determine prescriptions, provide glasses and contact lenses and have an optometrist onsite to provide eye care and vision therapy.

The space and maintenance for the Vision Center was donated by the Oyler School with the Cincinnati Health Department on board to oversee the center's daily operations. Funding is provided by the Ohio Optometric Association, American Optometric Association, Cincinnati Eye Institute and The CEI Foundation, groups that will also provide expertise and guidance.

- Growing Well Cincinnati and Cincinnati Public Schools provided guidance, support and counsel
- OneSight, a leading global vision care charity sponsored by Luxottica, provided all exam equipment, eyewear, operational expertise and start-up funding to support Vision Center staff

