

Centennial Community Services
Early Childhood Screening Profile
September, 2009

Overview: Screenings are required by Minnesota state law before children can enter/register for kindergarten. It involves checking a child's vision, height, weight, hearing, health history and immunizations, speech and language, general development and motor skills. Screening helps parents and the community improve the educational readiness and health of all young children through early detection of children's health, developmental and other factors that may interfere with a child's learning, growth and development. Parents are called shortly before their child turns four to schedule a screening appointment.

Year	00-01	01-02	02-03	03-04	04-05	05-06	06-07	07-08	08-09
Number screened	524	521	474	513	499	507	423	386	369

Coordinated as an in-kind contribution by:
Special Education Teacher Renee Dietz
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Staffing: 1 floater
9 screeners: 4 nurses, 4 developmental, 1 speech clinician
3 summary
1 clerk/scheduler
A variety of support staff are hired to meet individual needs such as sign language interpreters and foreign language screeners.

Average appointment length: 54 minutes

Conducted seven times per year at St. Mark Lutheran Church, 1 North Road, Circle Pines

Funding: Entirely supported by state reimbursement pro-rated depending on the age of the child.

Reimbursement rate: \$75 for 3-year-olds; \$50 for 4-year-olds; \$40 for 5-year-olds.
Actual cost per child for 2008-09 based on a one month snapshot of June 2009 is \$67

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Thank you to St. Mark for providing space and welcoming Centennial's continued use of their facility.