

What is Well Child Screening

Why Should Families Participate?

March 5, 2010 @ Osage City Methodist Church

Well Child Screening (WCS) is a FREE SERVICE of your local school district and Three Lakes Educational Cooperative for all children birth through 5 years old. All children who will be attending kindergarten next school year need to attend WCS. If you are unable to attend the screening at the Osage City Methodist Church, you will be welcome to attend any other screenings sponsored by Three Lakes.

You and your child can benefit from attending WCS each year by learning about your child's social, self-help, communication, motor and cognitive development. Your child's ears and hearing are screened for signs of infection and fluid and the ability to hear sounds. Your child's eyes and vision are screened for the ability to track, muscle balance and coordination, depth perception, color perception and acuity.

WCS gives parents a "snap shot" view of their child's overall development including their strengths and any areas of development that may benefit from additional support. Free materials are available on typical developmental sequences, developmental milestones and parenting helps. TLEC staff are available to answer questions and to discuss the developmental patterns and the current and emerging skill of your child.

Sign up for WCS by calling your local school at 528-3171 to schedule an appointment. Plan on screenings to take approximately 1 ½ hours to complete. Parents or daycare providers accompany children during the screening and children typically enjoy screening activities. The WCS staff looks forward to meeting you and your children