



Overbrook School for the Blind

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6333 Malvern Ave.
Philadelphia, Pa.
215-877-0313 ext 218

Dear Parent or Guardian:


School staff has recommended that your child have a low vision optometric examination. This is advised in order to determine if he or she could benefit from glasses, low vision devices or specialized training. Participation in the Overbrook Low Vision Clinic can also help OSB staff to further refine classroom programming needed to meet the educational needs of your child. Participation also affords you the opportunity to have your questions answered about your child's visual condition and his or her use of vision.

Dr. Sarah Appel, an Optometrist from Salus University, formerly the Pennsylvania College of Optometry, conducts the medical clinics at our school. Dr. Appel specializes in pediatric low vision care. The generosity of donors has allowed Overbrook to offer this valuable service to you free of charge. Donations of any amount however are greatly appreciated and are used exclusively to sponsor additional student participation.

What you can expect when your student participates in the OSB Low Vision Clinic:

- 1 Prior to the appointment , OSB low vision specialist, reviews your child's medical file and collects information from OSB staff. This information is subsequently shared with Dr. Appel so that she has a well rounded understanding of the impact of your child's visual impairment on their learning and living skills.
2. Prior to the appointment, Marci Graboyes of Salus University will contact you to learn about your child's medical history and any concerns and/or questions you have related to your child's vision. She will set up an official medical record for Dr. Appel and will bring this on the date your child is seen in clinic.
3. During the appointment Dr. Appel completes a low vision optometric examination and determines if your student could benefit from glasses, low vision devices or training to better utilize his or her visual abilities. She will share recommendations with you, your child, and school staff. Parental attendance is encouraged. Many parents have stated that they found the visit to be extremely informative. Appointments last approximately 1 to 1.5 hours. Upon conclusion of the examination the family and school receive a comprehensive report, including all the doctor's recommendations.

If you are interested in having your student participate, please sign and return the enclosed forms in the pre-stamped envelope. Space is limited and appointments are offered on a first come first serve basis. You will receive a notice of the appointment date and time.

Sincerely,

JoAnn McNamee
Clinic Coordinator

Permission to Participate in Overbrook Low Vision Clinic

Student _____ Date: _____

I give permission for the above named student to participate in the Overbrook Low Vision Clinic which is held on the OSB campus in conjunction with The Eye Institute of Salus University.

My signature gives permission for all of the following during the current school year.

Student evaluation

Follow-up appointment to evaluate new glasses

OSB staff may complete a review of my child's educational and medical records.

Dr. S. Appel and M. Graboyes from Salus University, William Feinbloom Vision Rehabilitation Center may complete a review of my child's visual, educational and Medical records.

Staff may refer my address and phone number to Marci Graboyes of PCO for Parent/guardian contact information prior to the clinic appointment.

My child may receive eye drops for dilation during the visual examination.

Yes _____ No _____

Clinic staff may photograph and/or videotape my child and/or family members and These pictures may be used in educational and public relations efforts.

Yes _____ No _____

Parent/Guardian Name [print] _____

Parent/Guardian [signature] _____

Date _____

Relationship to child _____

Phone number where you can be reached and best time to call:

Home _____

Cell _____

Work _____

Return completed form ASAP to OSB Low Vision Clinic
215-877-0313 ext 218

Acknowledgement of Receipt of Notice of Privacy Practices

I, _____ [name of individual], date of birth _____
Have reviewed a copy of Salus University's Notice of Privacy Practices.
I understand that I am entitled to a copy of the Notice should I desire one.

Signature Individual or Personal Representative

Date

Print Name of Personal Representative
[if applicable]

Relationship of Personal Representative to Individual

If this acknowledgement is signed by someone who is not the individual listed at the top of this form, provide a description of the signer's authority to act for the individual.

FOR COLLEGE USE ONLY:

Salus University made the following good faith efforts to obtain the above-referenced individual's
Written acknowledgement of receipt of the Notice of Privacy Information Practices:

[] Individual/personal representative was offered copy and individual refused to sign form to acknowledge Receipt of Notice.

[] Other: _____

Staff Member Signature

Date

Print Name

The William Feinbloom Vision Rehabilitation Center Consent and Release Form

I, _____, having presented myself at the William Feinbloom Vision Rehabilitation Center of Salus University for examination and/or treatment, I do voluntarily consent to the performance of examination, diagnostic procedures, and/or treatments as deemed necessary or beneficial for my case. I understand that any of the above measures may be performed by an optometrist, ophthalmologist, other qualified specialist, intern, or technician under the supervision of either an optometrist, ophthalmologist, or qualified specialist. I further acknowledge that no guarantees have been made to me as to the effect of such procedures on my condition. I also consent to the inspection of the records of my treatment for research or scientific purposes by any person specifically authorized to do so by the Director of the Feinbloom Center.

Patient Information Release:

In the interest of my own eye care, both present and future, I hereby give my consent to the Eye Institute-William Feinbloom Vision Rehabilitation Center for the release of any or all information contained in my records, as may be requested by those engaged in my eye care.

This release is of perpetual duration

Patient

Date

Witness

Because the patient is unable to sign for the following reason: _____

The above consent and release is given on the patient's behalf by:

Relative/Guardian-Relationship

Date

Witness

**Overbrook School for the Blind
Low Vision Clinic Parent Input Form**

Student _____ DOB _____ Age _____

Program _____ Date _____

Family member completing form _____ Relationship to student _____

[Print name] _____

Date of last eye exam _____

Name of Doctor _____

Address _____

Phone # _____

Medications taken by my child _____

List specific vision problems you would like the Doctor to check:

List any questions you would like answered about your child's vision:

Do you understand your Child's vision problems? Yes No Unsure

Does your child receive any of the following?

OT ___ PT ___ Speech ___ O&M ___ Hearing ___ Other _____

Does your child's vision interfere with any of the following at home? If so please explain:

Personal care

Community activities

Interaction with family members

Mobility in the home or neighborhood

Play/Leisure

School work

Motor skills

Does your child have problems related to lighting? Yes___ No___
If yes, please describe.

Does your child have:

Eyeglasses: Yes___ No___ Has but does not use___

Do they help? Explain

Sunglasses: Yes___ No___ Has but does not use___

Do they help? Explain

Contacts: Yes___ No___ Has but does not use___

Do they help? Explain

Low vision devices such as magnifiers, telescopes etc.

Yes___ No___ Has but does not use___

Do they help? Explain

Please share any other information that you feel will be helpful.

Will you attend the clinic appointment with your child?

Yes _____ No _____

Print name

Signature

Date