## Formerly Prevent Blindness Oklahoma

School Administrators and Nurses:

I hope all of you have had a very safe and healthy summer!

As President/CEO of Vizavance (formerly Prevent Blindness Oklahoma) I would like to take this opportunity to provide you an update on the preparations and initiatives we have made for our vision screenings for the upcoming school year. Our goal is to provide your school a successful vision screening while assuring the safety of your students and our screeners.

## **COVID-19 Risk Mitigation Initiatives for Screeners**

- Face Coverings: Screeners will be provided with disposable masks for each day of scheduled screening and will also have two washable cloth masks branded with the Vizavance logo.
- Face Shields: Screeners will be also provided with two reusable face shields to be used in conjunction with a face mask for extra protection.
- Hand Sanitizer: Screeners will receive bottles of hand sanitizer to address the increasing need for hand hygiene.

We have also purchased a badge making machine to provide our screeners with a "smiling face" picture ID badge since their appearance will be covered by the mask and face shield while screening your children. Our hope is that the picture badge will soften the screener's appearance for your school children.

We understand this is a very fluid time for all of us and subject to daily changes. Our screener will contact your staff prior to arriving for your vision screening, to confirm the screening and inquire if there are any new or additional requirements implemented by your school. We continue to stay on top of the District, Oklahoma State Department of Health, and Oklahoma State Department of Education PPE requirements. We are also staying educated on all the latest CDC updates concerning PPE for our screeners and staff.

We want to work with the schools in providing all students, both traditional and distance learning, a successful vision screening. We will continue to keep you updated on all of our Coronavirus initiatives that will affect your vision screenings. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions, concerns, or additional information that would be helpful.

Please forward this letter to those who are responsible for the vision screenings in your school.

Thanks for all of your support!!!!

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