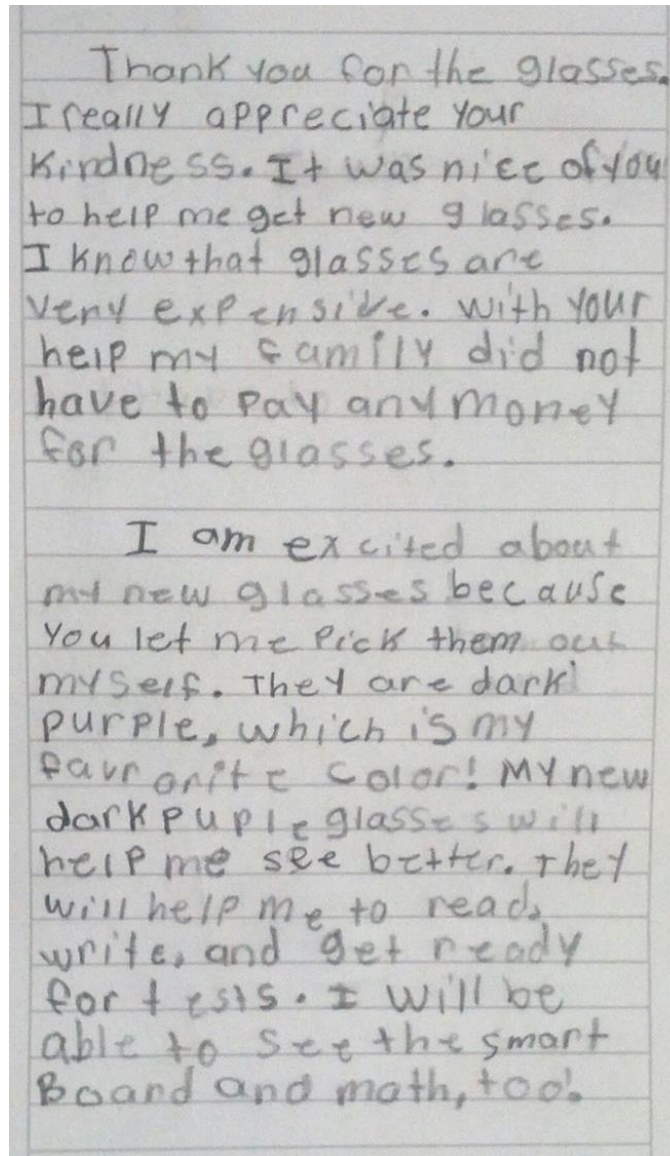


HOW CAN YOU HELP?

We need optometrists or ophthalmologists who are able to donate 2-4 hours of their time 1-2 times during a school year. Our events generally run from 9-11 at elementary schools and 9-1 at East High, where we see children from all over the RCSD. Our schedule is built around YOU. Without your help we can't help children get glasses and we want to make it as easy as possible for you to come to us! If you can give us 4 hours we can give glasses to 40 children!

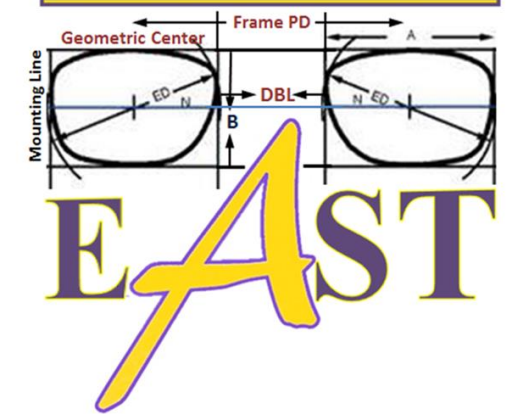
How big a difference does this make?

Over the 2016-2017 school year we made over 950 pairs of glasses, with almost 650 students being seen at our 22 events. Nine of the events happened at East High and 13 were performed at various local elementary schools!



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Vision Care



A summary of the Vision Care program for doctors interested in helping to provide glasses to children in need

A program developed and run by NYS licensed optician and certified teacher Logan Newman





"I love being able to help other students"

Our students learn that the skills they have aren't just for school, they are for life. They learn the importance of giving back to the community and helping their peers.

Scholars learn that they can be the difference we want to see in our community

1 in 4 students need glasses and can't afford them

We provide free eye wear to students in the RCSD that are made by East High scholars, providing a needed social service and needed skills for future success

"Next to raising my children, this is the most rewarding thing I've ever done"

Volunteer eye doctor on the time spent working with RCSD Students

What is the program?

Rochester has one of the highest poverty levels in the United States. Students in high poverty areas are more likely to need, and not have glasses. Rochester also has a very low graduation rate. In order to combat both the effects of poverty on graduation and students job readiness, the Vision Care program was created with the assistance of a NYS STEM grant. The East High Vision Care program is a NYSED accredited Career in Technical Education (CTE) program.

This program teaches students the skills of a trained optician. The students at East learn to fit glasses to face shape, take measurements, make the glasses, and explain why people need glasses. This prepares students for college or employment in the optical fields. First year students learn all the necessary skills and steps to make a pair of single vision glasses. Second year students work with doctors as trained professionals, pre-screening patients, taking measurements, and fitting frames helping them prepare for success in the workforce and providing free eyewear to RCSD students.

Our eye lane

Patients are seen in the classroom environment as it is transformed into a functional optical store. You have access to a SPOT Screener, auto-refractor, plus and minus cyl phoropter, streak retinoscope, and other materials. We also travel to elementary schools and set up for our limited eye exams there using portable equipment!



Advanced Vision Screening Events

Students who need glasses sign a Vision Care Waiver and are assigned an appointment time when doctors are here. During this time students are prescreened with our auto-refractor and the doctor determines their prescription for in-house production of a free pair of glasses. The prescriptions stay in-house and students whose parents have not signed the waiver do not receive glasses.

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