

Low cost or no cost *Dental Services* at your child's school

WHAT

A **dental screening** is done by a licensed dental hygienist from the Health Department.

Dental cleanings remove bacteria from the teeth and gums to prevent cavities and gum disease.

Dental sealants are thin, plastic coatings painted on the chewing surfaces of the back teeth to help prevent cavities.

Fluoride varnish makes the outside of all the teeth stronger to help keep cavities from starting.

WHO

Students PreK—6th grade

All students will receive a teeth screening, fluoride varnish to protect all the teeth, a dental cleaning if needed, and a completed Kentucky Dental form for school entrance.

Students grades 1-6 will ALSO receive dental sealants on their permanent molars if needed.

All students receive instruction in the care of their teeth, follow up, and a referral to your dentist.

WHY

Cavities are the most common disease in children. 40% of the children seen in the program have cavities, many of which are urgent. Children cannot learn, pay attention or eat when they have cavities.

All children, regardless of insurance or income, should receive dental services.

Since 2004, the Health Department's dental program has provided preventive dental services that are convenient for families. **Our goal is for all children to have a dentist of their own. We are not a replacement for your dentist.**

COST

If your child is covered by Medicaid, the cost of services is billed to Medicaid for payment.

If your child is not covered by Medicaid, services are provided at no or very low cost, based on family size and income outlined in the table below:

We do not accept private dental insurance, but can see your child for the fees below.

Funding from the United Way of Greater Cincinnati, Delta Dental and Kentucky Department for Public Health helps keep program fees low.

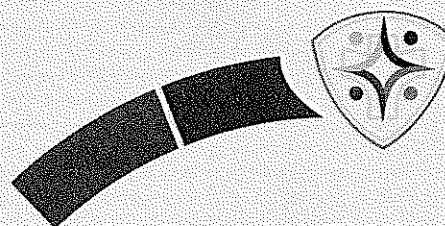
SERVICE	FEE
Screening of the teeth and gums	No charge to a maximum of \$10
Dental cleaning	No charge to a maximum of \$10
Each dental sealant	No charge to a maximum of \$10
Fluoride varnish	No charge to a maximum of \$10



If you would like your child to participate in the dental program, please fill out BOTH SIDES of the consent form that is attached.

QUESTIONS?

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