



Dear Parent or Guardian:

The Kansas State School for the Blind is pleased to share with you our KanLovKids (KLK) vision clinics. The purpose of the KanLovKids clinics is to provide children, birth through age 21, who are visually impaired or have a brain-based visual impairment with a clinical low vision evaluation, optical device trials and prescription for the devices, and instruction on how to use the device(s). There are two types of clinics: the low vision collaboration clinic and low vision collaboration clinic+.



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COLLABORATION CLINIC**

is for students who are able to communicate and interpret eye charts (numbers, letters, or pictures) and communicate what they are seeing. The primary goal is to learn what tools could be utilized at home, in school, and the community to aid the student with visually accessing his/her world. Educational teams also have the opportunity to speak with the doctor and learn more about their condition and how it may affect the student on a day-to-day basis.



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is for infants, toddlers, or school-aged children who have alternative communication and complex needs. At these clinics, the primary goal is for educational teams to learn how the student sees and what accommodations and supports could be implemented to aid in access to the curriculum.

A child may be referred to the program by family, teachers, or their primary eye care provider. Once a referral is made, the child's education team is asked to provide the child's most recent visual assessments as well as an updated eye report, MRI (if the child has a brain-based visual impairment), functional vision assessment, and why the team is requesting a KLK clinic. Family members, teachers of students with visual impairments, certified orientation & mobility specialists, and any other IEP team members are encouraged to attend the low vision evaluation to assist in providing valuable input on the child as well as to learn about the recommendations prescribed at the clinic. The services provided at the KLK clinics are not meant to take the place of regular visits to the child's primary eye care provider, such as his/her ophthalmologist or optometrist.

If you have any questions regarding the information above or would like to refer your child/student for a low vision evaluation, please do not hesitate to contact Molly Reardon, KLK Coordinator: [mreardon@kssdb.org](mailto:mreardon@kssdb.org) or 913-309-7041.

KLK clinics looks forward to working with you and your child.

Sincerely,



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