

# Certificate of Dental Screening

This certificate is not valid unless all fields are complete.  
**RETURN COMPLETED FORM TO CHILD'S SCHOOL.**

## Student Information (Please Print)

Student Last Name:	Student First Name:	Birth Date (MM/DD/YY):
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## Screening Information (health care provider must complete this section)

**Date of Dental Screening:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Treatment Needs** (Check **ONE** only based on screening results prior to treatment services provided):

- ☐ **No Obvious Problems**—The child's hard and soft tissues appear to be visually healthy, and there is no apparent reason for the child to be seen before the next routine dental checkup.
- ☐ **Requires Dental Care**—tooth decay<sup>1</sup> or a white spot lesion<sup>2</sup> is suspected in one or more teeth, or gum infection<sup>3</sup> is suspected.
- ☐ **Requires Urgent Dental Care**—obvious tooth decay<sup>1</sup> is present in one or more teeth, there is evidence of injury or severe infection, or the child is experiencing pain.

<sup>1</sup> Tooth Decay: A visible cavity or hole in a tooth with brown or black coloration or a retained root.

<sup>2</sup> White spot lesion: A demineralized area of a tooth, usually appearing as a chalky, white spot or white line near the gumline. A white spot lesion is considered an early indicator of tooth decay, especially in primary (baby) teeth.

<sup>3</sup> Gum infection: Gum (gingival) tissue is red, bleeding, or swollen.

**Screening Provider** (Check **ONE** only; Ninth-grade screening must be provided by DDS/DMD or RDH.)

☐ DDS/DMD    ☐ RDH    ☐ MD/DO    ☐ PA    ☐ RN/ARNP

Provider Name: (Please Print) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Provider Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature and Credentials  
 of Provider or Recorder\*: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Recorder: An authorized provider (DDS/DMD, RDH MD/DO, PA, or RN/ARNP) may transfer information on this form from another health department. The other health document should be attached to this form.

A screening does not replace an exam by a dentist. Children should have a complete examination by a dentist at least once a year.

*Iowa Department of Health and Human Services • Bureau of Family Health – Oral Health Section*

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*A designee of the local Board of Health or Iowa Department of Health and Human Services may review this certificate for survey purposes.*