



The Problem

1 in 4

students have vision issues that can affect their ability to achieve in school and engage in life

80%

of all learning in a child's first 12 years comes through vision

95%

of 1st graders in low-income communities who need glasses do not have them

3rd Graders

who are not proficient in reading are more likely to drop out of school

2 million

children in America lack the glasses they need to read a book, see the board or participate in class

The Solution



Vision To Learn provides eye exams and glasses, free of charge, to students at schools in underserved urban and rural communities

87% are kids of color

89% of kids served by Vision To Learn live in poverty

How it Works

- **Vision Screening:** Working with the school, each student is vision screened.
- **Eye Exam:** Students who do not pass are examined by an optometrist on a mobile clinic.
- **Glasses:** Students select their frames from a wide choice of sizes and styles. Vision To Learn returns to fit the glasses, and lost or broken glasses are replaced for free for one year.



The Need in County of San Mateo

- Vision To Learn visits schools where 65%+ students qualify for Free or Reduced Lunch.
- In these schools, on average:
 - Over a third fail a vision screening (these students receive eye exams)
 - 80% of students examined need glasses
 - A majority do not regularly access vision care
- In the County of San Mateo there are approximately 3,000 kids that need glasses

