

EASTER SEALS LOUISIANA PARENT LETTER

Dear Parents:

With the support and approval of your parish school superintendent, Easter Seals Louisiana is coordinating a free spinal screening which will be conducted by school nurses for student's in your child's school. This program serves to detect any sign of scoliosis, which is curvature of the spine.

The screening procedure is a simple one in which a school nurse observes the child's posture in standing and bending positions. NO MEDICATION OR X-RAYS ARE USED. The children are asked only to remove their shirts. Of course, boys and girls are screened separately. Girls are requested to wear bras, halter tops, or bathing suit tops under their clothes on the day of the screening. This is a VISUAL SCREENING ONLY. You will be notified by the Easter Seal office if your child has a possible curvature.

Even though your child may have been screened previously, it is still important to be re-screened during the growing years. This should be done often.

If you do **NOT**, and **ONLY** if you do **NOT**, want your child to participate in the screening fill in the form below and return it to the school.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office at 523-7325 or (toll free) 1-800-695-SEAL.

Sincerely,

Janet Pepperman, Coordinator
Scoliosis Screening Program

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NO _____ I do not wish for my child to participate in the scoliosis screening program.

Child's Name _____

Name of School _____

City _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian