

## WHY IS VISION DEVELOPMENT IMPORTANT?

Most often we think that vision acuity—the ability to see clearly with or without glasses, is the only factor to be considered when we determine vision. However, equally important is the perception of what we see (vision). Therefore, when vision development problems are identified, the cause may not be necessarily related to “eyesight”, but to “vision”, which is the ability to identify process and understand what is seen.

**“Prescription glasses alone worn by some children do not address specific visual deficits...”**

These vision problems interfere with learning and success in the classroom. The student frequently has a short attention span and behavior problems often result. Prescription glasses alone do not correct these vision deficits. **Plano’s approach** involves students, teachers and parents, with the common goal to correct the child’s vision development problems.

### What Is Vision Therapy?

**Vision Therapy** is a treatment program used to improve visual conditions and to help individuals learn, relearn, or reinforce specific vision skills. Such skills include eye movement control, focusing control, eye teaming, eye-hand coordination, and vision perception.

## PLANO CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

Also referred to as **Plano Vision Development Center** is a multi-disciplinary, not-for-profit optometric service organization that specializes in the identification, evaluation and treatment of individuals with learning related vision skills problems.

Plano was founded in 1959 by Dr. Robert L. Johnson and Dr. Henry R. Moore and chartered in 1965.

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## “Eyes Right For Vision & Sight”

**Plano Child Development Center provides vision education workshops, vision screenings, vision assessment testing and vision therapy treatment programs.**

# HOW DOES YOUR CHILD SEE THE WORLD?

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## From the Parent

"Before my son, Donte began visual therapy, I would spend all evening helping him with his homework and his grades were still not consistent. After repeated visits to his school, the principal and his teacher suggested that he be tested for placement in a special education class. I put him in a tutoring class, which did not help. I prayed and the Lord directed me to Plano. Dr. Stephanie tested my son and based on her exam, told me exactly what Donte was doing before I told her. It was such a blessing for me to find someone who understood my problem. Donte completed his therapy 4 years ago and is now an honor student. I give the Glory to God, and thank you. God Bless You."

Patricia Buchanan

## Donte's Story!

To the right is a story which was copied by Donte who was age 7 at the time.

The first story was done before he began vision therapy. In the beginning, it took him two hours and forty-five minutes to complete the assignment. The second assignment was copied, after only three months of vision therapy. It took him twenty-two minutes to complete it.

## DONTE'S HANDWRITING SAMPLE BEFORE VISION THERAPY

There once was a turkey  
named Goon who thought he  
was born on the moon.  
He'd float in the air without  
ever a care from evening  
until about noon.  
Then quickly he'd land on  
the ground without even  
making a sound.  
His thin legs would wobble,  
he'd let out a gobble, for  
the air he would leave with  
a pound.  
But then one DAVE in her  
blew it, he came to earth  
before he knew it. And the fat  
feathered beast was the  
thanksgiving feast and that  
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