

## VSP Snippet

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Hi and welcome to another SCHOOLCARE snippet. Today we are going to be talking about the VSP vision hardware benefit. My name is Chris Glenn, and I am one of the group relations specialists here at SCHOOLCARE.

SCHOOLCARE started offering a vision hardware benefit to our groups back in 2019. We have many of our groups offering the plans within their school or town. So, if you are interested and you don't know if the district or your town offers it, check in with your HR department to confirm this benefit.

It's a material only benefit including lenses, frames, and contact lenses. There are different levels of benefits for all these types of materials so check into the benefit summary if you have any further questions. Keep in mind as well, the vision exam is not covered under the VSP materials only benefit. It is still covered under the Cigna medical plan. So, if you're enrolled into Cigna medical under any of the SCHOOLCARE plans your vision exam is still covered under that benefit.

The VSP hardware benefit is typically an optional benefit that employees pay for themselves. Some of our employers do offer some contributions but many of them have the employees paying a hundred percent of the premium as it is a low-cost premium for the benefit. There is no ID card for this benefit, but you can absolutely print one off at [vsp.com](http://vsp.com).

Today we're going to be viewing the online portal at [vsp.com](http://vsp.com) to review the benefits, help you find a provider, and see what other optional benefits are included in the plan. Let's hop on over to the website to check it out.

So, when you're logged into [vsp.com](http://vsp.com), this is your home page. You can click on find a doctor, your benefits, other offers, and other options available. I'm going to move down the page and go down to the maximize your vision coverage and savings by looking for a location.

So, I am going to type in my zip code here and click on find a provider. That's going to open up a search page which gives me 22 results - and then moving down the page you can see all the available providers and your VSP benefit app. Then you can schedule an appointment from here. Contact them by phone whichever works for you.

All right then moving back to my dashboard as I like to always go back to the home page move down you can see all your available benefits here by clicking view your benefits. Again, find a doctor and save with exclusive member extras but I'm just going to click on view benefits here. And you can get discounts on your contact lens exam - you would pay

up to \$60 on that. You can see that you get prescription lenses for a \$25 copay each year and then moving down your frame you get \$25 copay and for your lenses you get up to \$130 allowance for your frames. But it is every other year so keep in mind if you got frames last year you would not be able to get a new frame this year. That would not start until July of 2022.

So, if I click back on my dashboard, it brings me back to the home page. And one other thing I just want to show you how to view your member ID card. You are not required to have an IS card as the providers can look up your account using your social security number. But you can print this out for reference.

If you don't know if your district or your town offers the benefit, check in with your HR department to confirm that. If you want to enroll, check in with your HR next year for open enrollment time frames and when you can enroll into the benefit for that new plan year.

If you want to learn more about the benefit, please feel free to visit [schoolcare.org](http://schoolcare.org) as we have our VSP drop down where you can find more information on how the benefit works, what's included in the benefit, and all of that is available right at [schoolcare.org](http://schoolcare.org).

Thank you again for joining me today to learn more about the VSP benefits offered by SCHOOLCARE. Have a great day.