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# Public School Retirement System

VBA #090

Effective: 1/1/20 – 12/31/23  
\$10 Exam / \$10 Materials Copay

FREQUENCY OF SERVICE	Last Date of Service:		DEPENDENT AGE: 26 (EOBM)
	Employee	Spouse	Children
Vision Exam	12 Months	12 Months	12 Months
Lenses	24 Months	24 Months	12 Months
Frames	24 Months	24 Months	24 Months

**BENEFITS:** Employee can select either:

	VBA Participating Provider Amount Covered/Benefit (Less Copayment) <sup>E</sup>	Non-Participating Provider Amount Reimbursed (Zero Copayment)
<b>Vision Exam</b> (Glasses or Contacts)	100%	\$36
<b>Clear Standard Lenses</b> (Pair):		
Single Vision	100%	\$30
Bifocal	100%	\$45
Blended Bifocal	100%	\$45
Trifocal	100%	\$60
Progressives- Except Digital	100%	\$60
Lenticular	100%	\$80
Polycarbonate <sup>C</sup>	100%	N/A
Scratch Coat-1 Yr	100%	N/A
<b>Frame<sup>B</sup></b>	100%	\$45
<b>-OR-</b>		
<b>Elective Contacts</b> (in lieu of eyeglass benefits)		
Material Allowance	\$141	\$141
Fitting Fee	15% off UCR <sup>A</sup>	N/A
<b>-OR-</b>		
<b>Medically Necessary Contacts<sup>D</sup></b>	100%	\$246

A Usual, Customary, and Reasonable.

B Within the program's \$50 wholesale allowance (approximately \$125 to \$150 retail).

C Available In-Network at no charge for children under age 19.

D Medically Required Contacts may only be selected in lieu of all other material benefits listed herein.

E A \$10 copayment is applied to the vision exam and a \$10 copayment is applied to the total cost of the lenses and/or frames ordered from a VBA Member Doctor only. Copayments do not apply to the contact material allowance.

# Limitations

VBA is designed to cover visual needs rather than cosmetic materials and consequently includes some limitations in order to control costs. The following options or services will generally result in additional charges to the patient or are not covered under the plan.

## ADDITIONAL CHARGES

A patient selecting any of the following items will be responsible for the additional charges, all of which are monitored and controlled by VBA.

- Tinted Lenses
- Photochromic/Polarized Lenses
- Polycarbonate (covered under age 19)
- Hi-index Lenses
- Digital Progressive Lenses
- The coating of the lens or lenses (except 1 year scratch protection)
- A frame that costs more than the plan allowance
- Rimless Frames
- Anti-Reflective/Backside UV/Optifog

Additionally, costs for contact lenses/services in excess of the plan's scheduled reimbursement allowances are the responsibility of the patient.

## NOT COVERED

The contract gives VBA the right to waive any of the plan limitations if, in the opinion of our optometric consultants, it is necessary for the patient's welfare. VBA provides no benefit for professional services or materials connected with the following:

- Orthoptics or vision training
- Non-prescription lenses
- Two pair of glasses in lieu of bifocals
- Medical or surgical treatment of the eyes
- Any eye examination, or corrective eyewear, required by an employer as a condition of employment
- Services or materials provided as a result of any Worker's Compensation Law or similar legislation
- Glasses and contacts during the same eligibility period

Lenses and frames furnished under this program which are lost or broken will not be replaced except at the normal intervals when services are otherwise available.