



Dental Visit Prep

Picking a Dental Provider

QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER:

- Can they provide services in my borough/district?
- What dental services do they provide? (See below for cheat sheet on dental services)
- Do other schools in my network use this provider? Ask them about their experience!
- How often do I want my students to receive preventative care?
- What kind of space do they require for a dental visit?
- How many students can they see in a day? What kind of space do they require for a dental visit?
- What is their referral process for students who need additional follow-up care?

TIP: USE YOUR NETWORK!

Do other schools in my network use this provider? Reach out and ask them about their experiences before committing to a provider!



Dental Services Cheat Sheet

Services	Definition
PREVENTIVE SERVICES	
Dental Examination	A visual assessment of the mouth
Prophylaxis	Dental Cleaning
Topical Fluoride	A topical coating applied on all teeth which helps prevent tooth decay by up to 42%
Silver Diamine Fluoride	Arrests the progress of existing tooth decay and can also prevent formation of new cavities
Sealants	A thin protective coating applied to the back teeth which helps prevent tooth decay by up to 80%
X-ray	Images of the mouth taken to assess cavities and tooth development that are not visible through the visual assessment
RESTORATIVE SERVICES	
Restorative Care	Treatment of tooth decay