



## Bridgeport Public Schools

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### **FREE HEALTH AND DENTAL SCREENINGS FOR BRIDGEPORT CHILDREN ON OCTOBER 8 FROM 9:30 A.M. - 2:00 P.M. at BARNUM SCHOOL**

*Henry Schein's Healthy Children Healthy Lifestyles Partners with*

*Optimus Health Care and Bridgeport Board of Education*

On Wednesday, October 8 from 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Henry Schein's Healthy Children Healthy Lifestyles program will provide Bridgeport-area children with free health screenings at the Barnum School on 295 Waterview Avenue. Healthy Children Healthy Lifestyles is open and free of charge to children in grades 3 through 6 from Bridgeport's Waltersville, Barnum, and Beardsley school. This unique program is designed to promote access to health care for underserved children and is co-sponsored in Bridgeport by Optimus Health Care and Bridgeport Board of Education.

Health care volunteers will address diseases and risk factors that commonly afflict children, such as hypertension, asthma, diabetes, obesity and poor oral health. Check-ups will also include dental screenings. Children and their parents will receive educational materials about prevention and treatment of health concerns and referrals to a local clinic or doctor's office. The event will include games for the children and healthy food.

Henry Schein, the largest distributor of healthcare products and services to office-based health care practitioners in North America and Europe, is sponsoring its third annual Healthy Children, Healthy Lifestyles program as part of Henry Schein Cares, the company's global social responsibility program. This is the first time this program has been presented in Bridgeport.

**WHAT:** Free Health & Dental Check-ups for Children

Teaching the Importance of Healthy Lifestyles

**WHEN:** Wednesday, October 8, 2008  
9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

**WHERE:** Barnum School  
295 Waterview Avenue  
Bridgeport, CT 06608

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