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**Introduction**

Conduct disorders have been a problem for educators for many years. Disruptive children in the classroom lose the full benefits of the educational process, pose a distraction for other children, and lessen the effectiveness of the teacher's efforts. What seems simple 'disruptive classroom behavior' problem in the early grades sometimes becomes a major problem as the child progresses through the school system. For example, research studies have established that disruptive behavior as early as the first grade is a reliable predictor of juvenile delinquency when children enter their teens.\(^1\) There is also substantial data showing the association between learning disabilities and juvenile delinquency.\(^2-13\) These studies indicate that 80-90% of the juvenile delinquent population is learning disabled and are behind in reading by 4-5 grade levels. So, research has shown a strong correlation that disruptive behavior in the first grade puts a child at particular risk for anti-social behavior as a teen-ager, and that juvenile delinquents are often also learning disabled.

Research has also established that the juvenile delinquent population has a high prevalence of health problems, including a variety of visual dysfunctions.\(^14-25\) Most recent studies indicate the prevalence of vision disorders in the juvenile delinquent population to be as high as 62%.\(^26\) Problems are particularly evident in eye movement and near focusing skills, as well as two-eyed coordination. All of these visual skills are essential for meeting the demands of the classroom. When visual dysfunctions are present, the child is not fully equipped to benefit from classroom instruction.

There is a strong literature base to indicate the relationship between visual dysfunction and learning disabilities.\(^27-33\) Problems particularly evident in the learning disabled population are poor eye movement skills, near focusing problems and difficulty with two-eyed coordination.
It is, therefore, no coincidence that the visual profile of the learning disabled (LD) child matches that of the juvenile delinquent. However, caution is appropriate in developing this argument. Clearly, not all LD children turn out to be juvenile delinquents. However, it can be extrapolated that LD children have a greater risk of becoming juvenile delinquents due to their visual profile.

In summary, research has shown three clear associations: vision disorders and juvenile delinquency, vision disorders and learning disabilities, and learning disorders and juvenile delinquency. The question this research attempts to answer is "Do children with disruptive behavior in early grades have a higher than normal prevalence of visual dysfunction?" The theoretical model is that children who must depend upon a poorly functioning visual system have difficulty meeting the demands of the classroom and act out their frustration in the form of disruptive behavior. The aim of this study, then, is to examine the hypothesis that there is an association between disruptive classroom behavior in middle school age "at risk" students and visual dysfunction.

The Child Behavior Checklist, an extensive behavioral assessment battery, is frequently used by educators to assess school age children. This battery was utilized to gauge the specific behavioral traits of our subject pool. Our hypothesis is children identified as having behavioral problems by the Child Behavior Checklist will also score poorly on a battery of visual tests.

If, indeed, it is determined there to be an association between disruptive behavior and visual dysfunction, a process can be considered for early identification of these children. Early identification will ultimately serve to maximize the learning opportunities for these children and consequently remove a potential risk factor for more serious anti-social behavior.
**Method and procedures:**

Our study was performed on juveniles from Oregon during a 3 month period between March and May 2000. Three sites were chosen; one rural, one in suburbia, and one in a treatment facility for boys with behavior problems. Three main examiners conducted the study with the help of 15 second and third-year optometry students from Pacific University College of Optometry. All visual testing was done on-site at the schools in conference rooms or classrooms. Equipment and forms were furnished by Pacific University College of Optometry. The subjects were screened for refractive, binocular vision, perception, motility, and ocular disease disorders utilizing a detailed, specific list of pass/fail criteria. The following tests were performed:

- Sharpness of vision far and near (visual acuity)

  A standard Snellen lighted acuity box was used to measure distance acuity. The acuity box stand was placed 6 meters from the subject, and the subject sat in a chair as he/she called off the letters. The near acuity was measured with the reduced Snellen acuity chart, at a measured distance of 40 centimeters with a near lamp illuminating the chart.

- Refractive Status (Static retinoscopy)

  Free space static retinoscopy was performed in a darkened room, with the participant sitting in a chair, looking at the Snellen acuity light box at 6 meters, wearing glasses that compensated for the working distance of the scoper. Free lenses from a standardized lens kit were used to neutralize the reflex. Each examiner had at least two years of experience.
-Eye movements (ocular motility)

Range of motility was tested with a standard 1 millimeter colored bead attached to a 10 centimeter clear wand. Each participant was asked to follow the bead, which was moved in front of him/her at a standard speed. Subjective evaluations were made by the examiner in reference to the amount of supportive head movement and the accuracy to which the movements were done. Motility was also assessed with the Developmental Eye Movement (DEM) Test.

-DEM

Participants were tested at a well lit table on an individual basis. Each individual was told to read the vertical and horizontal columns as quickly as possible without making mistakes. Test times were recorded using hand held stopwatches. All tests were scored according to the DEM instruction booklet by one of the principal investigators.

-Two-eyed coordination (cover test, near point of convergence, stereo acuity)

Cover test was performed at both distance (6 meters) and near (40 centimeters). The cover-uncover was done first, followed by the alternate cover test, and finishing with the cover-uncover test. The subject either looked at a letter on the Snellen acuity box standing 6 meters away, or at a bead 40 centimeters away.

-Near point of convergence

Near point of convergence was tested using the same standard 1 millimeter bead. The bead was placed at eye level directly in front of the subject, starting at 50 centimeters. It was
slowly moved towards the nose until the subject reported seeing the bead double, or the examiner saw a breakdown of binocularity.

-**Stereopsis**

  Stereo acuity was tested using the Wirt circles and the Stereo butterfly. The participant wore Polaroid glasses, while observing the **Randot** tests at 40 cm, with standard illumination.

-**Near-far focusing ability (accommodative facility)**

  Accommodative facility was measured with + 2.00-2.00 diopter flippers. The subject was asked to clear the 6M paragraph of the **Donder’s** nearpoint card, which was held at 40 centimeters with standard near illumination, with the (+) side of the flipper held before the student first. The number of cleared cycles (+ and − is one cycle) was counted over a duration of two minutes.

-**Discrimination of form (Beery VMI)**

  The Beery Visual Motor Integration (VMI) Test investigates the important areas of visual discrimination, figure-ground discrimination, visual completion, and visual memory by a motor response from the patient. There are 23 forms, increasing in difficulty ranging from a simple diagonal line to a complex 3-D form. The subject was given a piece of unlined white paper and pencil, and asked to copy the form “exactly as it appears” onto their paper. They were told no erasing was permitted, and that there was no time limit. (Note: due to the subjectivity of scoring, this test was analyzed by one examiner to keep the inter-examiner reliability high.)
Eye health (direct ophthalmoscopy/external exam)

Ocular health was performed in a completely dark room using the direct ophthalmoscope. It was done as a screening to rule out any gross ocular disease. Only deviations from the norm were recorded. All other outcomes were recorded as "within normal limits".

All tests were non-invasive and often done in the course of a standard visual examination. The visual testing battery took approximately 30 minutes to administer on each child. Scheduling was done in an overlap fashion at 15 minute intervals so that a maximum of three children were out of the classroom at any one time. Testing duration depended on the number of children at each individual school.

The Child Behavior Checklist (CBCL), originally published by Achenbach and Edelbrock (1983) (see Appendix 1), was utilized to establish child behavior profiles. This test consists of 113 questions describing various behaviors which compose distinct behavioral profiles via a standardized test format. The CBCL was completed by the student's classroom teacher (or teaching aide) from typical observations that took place in the course of normal school activity. This test is highly regarded in the field of developmental psychology and has reliable test-retest and internal consistency characteristics.

All data collected were treated in confidence. The only exception to this was the summary report mailed to each parent or guardian explaining the outcome of their child's vision examination.

Data were recorded on standard forms provided by Pacific University and entered into a data base utilizing Filemaker software (see Appendix 2). Results from the two batteries of tests was examined for any associated traits. Data were exported into Excel software for analysis and
charting. The results of the study will be summarized in a final report and made available to appropriate individuals within the corresponding school districts. If it is deemed useful by the school districts, an in-service session will be scheduled at project completion to share the results of the study and discuss pertinent issues.

**Subjects**

Our study sample consisted of seventy “at-risk” juveniles between the age of 11 to 17 years, with a mean age of 15 years. There were twelve participants from an alternative classroom in the public school system in Vernonia, Oregon. Among the twelve, some of the students were self-enrolled into the alternative/vocational program, while others were placed due to lack of academic achievement and/or lack of ability to relate to their peers. Nine participants were from an alternative program in the public school system in Hillsboro, Oregon. These students were placed into the alternative classroom by administrators due to their lack of academic achievement in the regular system. Forty-nine participants were from an all-boys training facility in Beaverton, Oregon. These boys are mainly wards of the court system, and are placed into this training facility in a last strike attempt to rehabilitate them. All the children have serious emotional and behavioral problems. Only those participants that signed a release form were included in the study.

The sample population consisted of 11 percent female and 89 percent male; 2.8 percent of the sample population were black, 92.2 percent were white, and 5 percent were categorized as "other" (e.g. Hispanic decent, Native American).
**Results**

In our experimental design, the "fail" criteria designated for each of the tests was as follows:

- **Visual acuity distance and near:** 20/40 or worse monocular or o.u.
- **Refractive status:** +1.25 or more of hyperopia; -0.50 or more of myopia; -0.75 or more of astigmatism, monocular or o.u.
- **Cover test:** any tropia
- **NPC:** 6/10 centimeters (3/5) inches or greater
- **Stereo acuity:** 80 seconds of arc or worse
- **Accommodative facility:** 8 sec/cycle or more
- **Motility (DEM):** 25 percentile below age appropriate normative value
- **Visual Motor Perception (Beery):** 1.5 years below age appropriate normative value
- **Direct ophthalmoscopy:** any evidence of ocular disease

Behavioral profiles were assessed by the classroom teacher utilizing the Child Behavior Check List (Achenbach). The teacher assessed each child after a minimum of two months of observation, with a 113-question check list. Failure was any "clinical" score as set by the test norms.

All 70 subjects failed some area of visual function. Scores range from 0% in ocular disease to 70% in visual-motor perception to 71% in refractive status (see Figure 1). All subjects displayed some sort of clinically significant behavior problem ranging from 4% in somatic complaints to 27% in anxious/depressed (see Figure 2).
Comparisons were made as to the visual conditions found vs. the various behavior problems. This is termed co-morbidity. Co-existing conditions with "fail" scores that were 20% congruent or greater for boys were:

Refractive status: withdrawn, anxious/depressed
Visual motor perception: anxious/depressed

Co-existing conditions with "fail" scores that were 20% congruent or greater for girls were:

Refractive status: delinquent behavior
Accommodative facility: thought problems, attention problems, delinquent behavior
VMP: delinquent behavior

The Odds Ratio was computed to determine the relative risk of having a particular behavior profile in the presence of a specific visual dysfunction.

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\text{Odds Ratio} = \frac{\text{Cases (exposed)}}{\text{Cases (non-exposed)}} \times \frac{\text{Controls (non-exposed)}}{\text{Controls (exposed)}}
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Only those factors whose true risk was at least two times greater were considered.

Relative risk factors of two times or greater for "withdrawn" profile were:

Refractive status 7.5x
Binocular 2.28x
VMP 4.5x

Relative risk factors of two times greater for "anxious/depressed" profile were:

Binocular 2.13x
VMP 2.83x
Relative risk factors of two times or greater for "social problems" profile were:

VMP 5.05x

Relative risk factors of two times for "thought problems" profile were:

Binocular 2.31x

Relative risk factors of two times for "attention problems" profile were:

Motility (DEM) 2.5x
VMP 2.6x

Relative risk factors of two times or greater for "delinquent behavior" profile were:

Motility (DEM) 2.14x
VMP 4.6x

Relative risk factors of two times or greater for "aggressive behavior" profile were:

Refractive status 2.6x
Binocular 2.39x

**Discussion**

The purpose of this research project was to investigate a proactive approach to identifying those in the school system with undiagnosed visual problems and compare these results to the behavior profiles. There has been a great deal of research done on the link between delinquency
and visual dysfunction. David Dzik explored the link between reading ability and juvenile
delinquency in the Tennessee court system in 1966\textsuperscript{19}. Roger Dowis found a significant
correlation between learning problems and juvenile delinquency in Boulder, Colorado in 1973\textsuperscript{18}.
A Congressional Report on this topic was presented by the Comptroller General of the United
State in 1977\textsuperscript{4}. More recent studies include Stanley Kaseno's look at visual perception and
juvenile delinquency (1985)\textsuperscript{20}, and Rod Snow's investigation of the visual profiles of at risk
youth in Akron, Ohio (1981)\textsuperscript{23}. Research has also been done on the link between convergence
insufficiency and behavior. In 1999, Eric Borsting used the Connor's Rating Scale for Parents to
establish a link between behavior and visual dysfunction\textsuperscript{16}.

However, our research project had a different objective. We set out to find if a well
utilized and highly respective behavioral assessment battery (Child Behavioral Checklist) would
show some association with children with visual problems. Relative risk factors were evident
with refractive disorders, binocular dysfunction, motility (DEM), and visual motor perception.
These associations, however, did not yield statistically significant correlations between certain
problematic behaviors and visual difficulties. If a larger sample size was utilized, and/or a
control group consisting of subjects from the general public school system was included, the
results may have shown to be statistically significant. Likewise, a more intensive visual
examination may be yield more conclusive correlations. Our screening took cursory glimpses
into binocularity, ocular motility and visual motor perception. In addition, none of our subjects
were cyclopleged. It is highly possible a lengthy individual exam would yield more visual
problems than our screenings. Finally, it is possible that the Child Behavior Check List was not
the most sensitive behavior assessment battery. Research should be done with different
standardized behavioral assessment forms to see if another is better at pinpointing the children with behavioral problems.

It is unfortunate that the numbers do not reflect what educators experience on a daily basis--children acting out in class due to a visual problem. Therefore, further research in this area is essential. It would be interesting to see a longitudinal study comparing children with "disruptive behavior" in the early years to those who do not, and compare the degree of academic success in later life.

To identify a problem exists is only half the solution. Once identified, these children need some type of visual intervention to help them be successful in school. One group of subjects in our study will be receiving a course of vision therapy through Pacific University. A follow up study is underway to compare the subjects' behaviors before and after visual intervention.

A standardized, easily utilized approach for identifying children with undiagnosed visual disorders in the classroom must be found to help educators do their jobs successfully--and to protect the interests of the children involved, as well as the greater public.
References


TEACHER'S REPORT FORM FOR AGES 5–18

Your answers will be used to compare the pupil with other pupils whose teachers have completed similar forms. The information from this form will also be used for comparison with other information about this pupil. Please answer as well as you can, even if you lack full information. Scores on individual items will be combined to identify general patterns of behavior. Feel free to print additional comments beside each item and in the spaces provided on page 2.

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IV. What kind of class or service is it? (Please be specific, e.g., regular 5th grade, 7th grade math, learning disabled, counseling, etc.)

V. Has he/she ever been referred for special class placement, services, or tutoring?  
   □ Don't Know  0. □ No  1. □ Yes—what kind and when?

VI. Has he/she repeated any grades?
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VII. Current school performance—list academic subjects and check box that indicates pupil's performance for each subject:

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Screening Results

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DOB ______ Name of Parent or Guardian ______
File Number ______ Name of Teacher ______

Far Visual Acuity R 20/ ______ Far Visual Acuity R Hab Rx 20/1 ______
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Static Ret R Sph ______ Static Ret R Cyl ______ Static Ret R Axis ______
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Cover Test Far ______ Cover Test Near ______
Near Point of Convergence • Break ______ cm
Near Point of Convergence • Recovery ______ cm

Stereopsis • Stereo Fly ______ y/n Stereopsis • Circles ______ arc sec

Accommodative Facility • Binocular at 6 cycles ______ sec Aver per Cycle ______

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Developmental Eye Movements • Horizontal ______ DEM • Horiz Percentile
Developmental Eye Movements • Vertical ______ DEM • Vert Percentile
Developmental Eye Movements • Ratio ______ DEM • Ratio Percentile
Developmental Eye Movements • Error Sc ______ DEM • Err Sc Percentile

Age of Child ______ Days Age of Child in Years ______
Form Perception • Beery Test ______ VMP Age Diff age

Beery Score ______

Ocular Health • Anterior R ______
Ocular Health • Posterior R ______
Ocular Health • Anterior L ______
Ocular Health • Posterior L ______

Comments

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