

Tooth Talk

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Bridging the gap

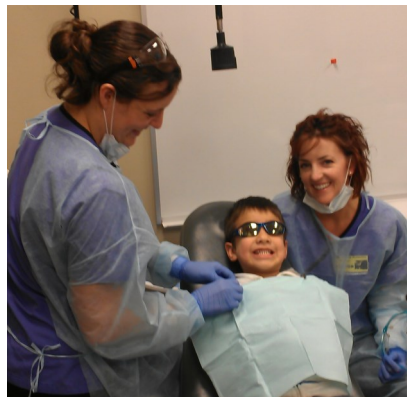
School's out for summer!



Middle School.

Miles of Smiles is the dental home for over 2,200 Northland children and it is very important that these children have access to dental care all summer. We are so fortunate to have community partners to allow our dental teams to provide dental care in convenient community locations throughout the summer. Miles of Smiles thanks all community partners for your continued partnership and support.

Another school year has come to an end and Miles of Smiles visited 33 different schools! We plan to visit the regular summer locations such as Salvation Army, Synergy Youth Center, and Parvin Estates. In addition, we will be providing dental care at the Liberty School Central Office, Tiffany Ridge Elementary School, and Excelsior Springs

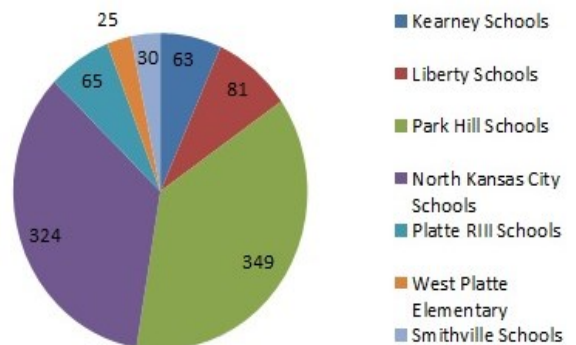


Words of wisdom

Dental Care Awareness

In January of this year, the Pew Center on the States released a report grading states on the prevalence of sealant programs in schools. Missouri received a "D" grade. Miles of Smiles raises this grade in the Northland, by bringing sealants and other preventative oral health care in high-need schools in Clay and Platte counties. Not only do we provide preventative care, but restorative care as well. During this past school year, 67% of Miles of Smiles' returning patients have had fewer cavities than their initial visits. This is the highest rate of decreased tooth decay we have ever reported. Miles of Smiles is making a difference in the oral health of Northland children!

Number of Miles of Smiles Patients at Area Schools in 2012-2013



Mark your calendar: It's time to tee off and help children!

Don't miss the Argosy Casino, Hotel and Spa 8th Annual Hearts & Hands Charity Golf Classic benefiting Miles of Smiles.

Location:
Shoal Creek Golf Course
8905 Shoal Creek Pkwy
Kansas City, MO 64157

Date:
Monday, August 19, 2013
8:30am - Registration & continental breakfast
10:00am - Shotgun start

RSVP: Tammy Musso at 816.746.3145 or
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Summer & 2013-2014 School Schedules

Even though school is out, kids still need dental care. That is why we will be providing dental care services at the following locations this summer!

June 3 to June 14 - Tiffany Ridge Elementary 5301 NW Old Tiffany Springs Rd KC, MO 64151

June 3 to June 6 - Excelsior Springs Middle School 701 Crown Hill Rd Excelsior Springs, MO 64021

June 17 to July 31 - Salvation Army 5306 N Oak Trfwy KC, MO 64118

July 11 to July 31 - Liberty School Administration Building 650 Conistor Liberty, MO 64068

August 1 to August 16 - Parvin Estates 4033 N Bellaire Ave KC, MO 64117

August 7 to August 16 - North Kansas City Community Center 1999 Iron St North KC, MO 64116

We hope you enjoy your summer and look forward to starting another great school year in August.



For the 2013-2014 School Year, our Miles of Smiles Dental teams will be at the following schools:

Kellybrook Elementary	Aug 19-Sept 6
West Englewood Elementary	Aug 19-Sept 6
Ridgeview Elementary	Sept 9-Sept 20
English Landing/Lakeview	Sept 9-Sept 26
Manor Hill Elementary	Sept 23-Oct 2
Kearney School District	Sept 27-Oct 29
Chinn Elementary	Oct 3-Nov 1

For a complete list of schools, please visit milesOfSmilesinc.org.

At the root

Another successful luncheon



On April 5, 2013, Miles of Smiles hosted it's annual luncheon celebrating 11 years of providing dental care to children in Clay and Platte counties. Susan Hiland with Fox 4 News was the Master of Ceremonies and the luncheon featured guest speakers:

Mike McCunniff, DDS—Associate Professor of Dental Public Health and Director of Outreach at UMKC Dental School

Robin Onikul, DDS—Department Chair of Pediatric Dentistry at Chil-

dren's Mercy Hospital and Clinics

Kathy Ellermeier MSN, R.N.—Director of Health Services at Liberty Public Schools.

With 165 guests in attendance, the event was able to raise over \$15,000, from sponsorships and donations.

A special thank you to our sponsors of the event!

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