

Harris County Department of Education

**Semi-Monthly Rates:**

**Employee only \$4.44**  
**Employee + Family \$10.22**

\*Note: rates are only good through 08/31/2024

**With your Vision Preferred Provider Organization Plan, you can:**

- Go to any licensed vision specialist and receive coverage. Just remember your benefit dollars go further when you stay in-network.
- Choose from a large network of ophthalmologists, optometrists and opticians, from private practices to retailers like Costco® Optical and Visionworks.

**In-network value added features:**

Additional lens enhancements: In addition to standard lens enhancements, enjoy an average 20-25% savings on all other lens enhancements.<sup>1</sup>

Savings on glasses and sunglasses: Get 20% savings on additional pairs of prescription glasses and non-prescription sunglasses, including lens enhancements. At times, other promotional offers may also be available.<sup>1</sup>

Laser vision correction:<sup>2</sup> Savings averaging 15% off the regular price or 5% off a promotional offer for laser surgery including PRK, LASIK and Custom LASIK. This offer is only available at MetLife participating locations.

**We're here to help**

Find a Vision provider at [www.metlife.com/vision](http://www.metlife.com/vision)

Network is "VSP Choice"

Download a claim form at [www.metlife.com/mybenefits](http://www.metlife.com/mybenefits)

For general questions go to [www.metlife.com/mybenefits](http://www.metlife.com/mybenefits) or call

1-855-MET-EYE1  
 (1-855-638-3931)

**Metropolitan Life Insurance Company**

**In-network benefits**

There are no claims for you to file when you go to an in-network vision specialist. Simply pay your copay and, if applicable, any amount over your allowance at the time of service.

**Frequency**

**Eye exam**

Once every **12** months

- Eye health exam, dilation, prescription and refraction for glasses: Covered in full after a **\$10** copay.
- Retinal imaging: Up to a **\$39** copay on routine retinal screening when performed by a private practice.

**Frame**

Once every **12** months

- Allowance: **\$130** for Standard and **\$150** on Featured Frame after **\$10** eyewear copay.
- Costco, Walmart and Sam's Club: **\$70** allowance after **\$10** eyewear copay.

You will receive an additional **20%** savings on the amount that you pay over your allowance. This offer is available from all participating locations except Costco.

**Standard corrective lenses**

Once every **12** months

- Single vision, lined bifocal, lined trifocal, lenticular: Covered in full after **\$10** eyewear copay.

**Standard lens enhancements<sup>1</sup>**

Once every **12** months

- Ultraviolet (UV) coating, Standard Polycarbonate (child up to age 18): Covered in full.
- Progressive Standard: Up to \$55 copay
- Progressive Premium/Custom: Up to \$95-\$105 copay/Up to \$150-\$175 copay
- Tints (plastic lenses): Pink I & II \$0 copay/Solid Plastic \$15 copay/Plastic Gradient Dye \$17 copay
- Anti-reflective Coating (variable by type): Up to \$41-\$85 copay
- Photochromic (variable by type): Up to \$47-\$82 copay

**Contact lenses** (instead of eye glasses)

Once every **12** months

- Contact fitting and evaluation: Copay not to exceed **\$60**.
- Elective lenses: **\$130** allowance.
- Necessary lenses: Covered in full after eyewear copay.

**Low vision**

Once every **24** months

Provides additional benefits to members who are not legally blind, but whose eyesight cannot be corrected to 20/70 with the use of optical lenses. Not available at retail chains including Costco, Walmart and Sam's Club.

- Supplemental testing: Maximum of two (2) tests covered in full within a two (2) year period up to the benefit maximum.
- Supplemental aids: 75% of the allowable amount up to the benefit maximum every two (2) years.
- Benefit maximum: \$1,000 every two (2) years.

**Second Pair**

Once every **12** months

This benefit gives you additional eyewear coverage. You can get:

- Two pairs of prescription eyeglasses; or
- One pair of prescription eyeglasses and an allowance toward contact lenses; or
- Double your contact lens allowance

## Out-of-network reimbursement

You pay for services and then submit a claim for reimbursement. The same benefit frequencies for **in-network benefits** apply. Once you enroll, visit [www.metlife.com/mybenefits](http://www.metlife.com/mybenefits) for detailed out-of-network benefits information.

• Eye exam: up to <b>\$45</b>	• Single vision lenses: up to <b>\$30</b>	• Progressive lenses: up to <b>\$50</b>
• Frames: up to <b>\$70</b>	• Lined bifocal lenses: up to <b>\$50</b>	
• Contact lenses:	• Lined trifocal lenses: up to <b>\$65</b>	
- Elective up to <b>\$105</b>	• Lenticular lenses: up to <b>\$100</b>	
- Necessary up to <b>\$210</b>	• Low vision: Supplemental evaluation and aids: Same as in-network benefits.	

## Exclusions and Limitations of Benefits

This plan does not cover the following services, materials and treatments

### SERVICES AND EYEWEAR

- Services and/or materials not specifically included in the Vision Plan Benefits Overview (Schedule of Benefits).
- Any portion of a charge above the Maximum Benefit Allowance or reimbursement indicated in the Schedule of Benefits.
- Any eye examination or corrective eyewear required as a condition of employment.
- Services and supplies received by you or your dependent before the Vision Insurance starts.
- Missed appointments.
- Services or materials resulting from or in the course of a Covered Person's regular occupation for pay or profit for which the Covered Person is entitled to benefits under any Worker's Compensation Law, Employer's Liability Law or similar law. You must promptly claim and notify the Company of all such benefits.
- Local, state, and/or federal taxes, except where MetLife is required by law to pay.
- Services or materials received as a result of disease, defect, or injury due to war or an act of war (declared or undeclared), taking part in a riot or insurrection, or committing or attempting to commit a felony.
- Services and materials obtained while outside the United States, except for emergency vision care.

- Services, procedures, or materials for which a charge would not have been made in the absence of insurance.
- Services: (a) for which the employer of the person receiving such services is not required to pay; or (b) received at a facility maintained by the Employer, labor union, mutual benefit association, or VA hospital.
- Services, to the extent such services, or benefits for such services, are available under a Government Plan. This exclusion will apply whether or not the person receiving the services is enrolled for the Government Plan. We will not exclude payment of benefits for such services if the Government Plan requires that Vision Insurance under the Group Policy be paid first. Government Plan means any plan, program, or coverage which is established under the laws or regulations of any government. The term does not include any plan, program, or coverage provided by a government as an employer or Medicare.
- Plano lenses (lenses with refractive correction of less than  $\pm 0.50$  diopter).
- Two pairs of glasses instead of bifocals.
- Replacement of lenses, frames and/or contact lenses, furnished under this Plan which are lost, stolen, or damaged, except at the normal intervals when Plan Benefits are otherwise available.
- Contact lens insurance policies and service agreements.
- Refitting of contact lenses after the initial (90 day) fitting period.

- Contact lens modification, polishing, and cleaning.

### TREATMENTS

- Orthoptics or vision training and any associated supplemental testing.
- Medical and surgical treatment of the eye(s).

### MEDICATIONS

- Prescription and non-prescription medications.

1. All lens enhancements are available at participating private practices. Maximum copays and pricing are subject to change without notice. Please check with your provider for details and copays applicable to your lens choice. Please contact your local Costco, Walmart or Sam's Club to confirm availability of lens enhancements and pricing prior to receiving services. Additional discounts may not be available in certain states.
2. Custom LASIK coverage only available using wavefront technology with the microkeratome surgical device. Other LASIK procedures may be performed at an additional cost to the member. Additional savings on laser vision care is only available at participating locations.

**Important:** If you or your family members are covered by more than one health care plan, you may not be able to collect benefits from both plans. Each plan may require you to follow its rules or use specific doctors and hospitals, and it may be impossible to comply with both plans at the same time. Before you enroll in this plan, read all of the rules very carefully and compare them with the rules of any other plan that covers you or your family.

Savings from enrolling in a MetLife Vision Plan will depend on various factors, including plan premiums, number of visits to an eye care professional by your family per year and the cost of services and materials received. Be sure to review the Schedule of Benefits for your plan's specific benefits and other important details.

Vision insurance is provided by Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, New York, NY (MetLife). Certain claims and network administration services are provided through Vision Service Plan (VSP), Rancho Cordova, CA. VSP is not affiliated with MetLife or its affiliates.

Like most group benefit programs, benefit programs offered by MetLife and its affiliates contain certain exclusions, exceptions, reductions, limitations, waiting periods, and terms for keeping them in force. Please contact MetLife or your plan administrator for costs and complete details.

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