# CHILDHOOD MYOPIA IS ON THE RISE



## MYOPIA CAN BE SLOWED IN CHILDREN

Myopia, also known as nearsightedness, happens when the eye grows too long, or the cornea is curved too much.



Can reduce eye lengthening

**OVERNIGHT CONTACT LENSES** 

Can help flatten the cornea



SPECIAL CONTACT LENSES

Can reduce eye lengthening and correct blurry vision



HIGH MYOPIA **INCREASES** THE RISK OF **VISION-THREATENING EYE CONDITIONS** 

**CATARACT SURGERY** 

MORE LIKELY

**RETINAL DETACHMENT** 

MORE LIKELY

**GLAUCOMA** 

GREATER RISK

**TIPS** 



### Spend at least 2 hrs/day outside

Studies show outdoor light can slow myopia.



### **Spend less time on screens**

The link between screen time and myopia is unclear. But there's no doubt that less is better.

#### **Keep your distance**

Keep digital devices about 2 feet away and at eye level.

#### **Take breaks**

Rest eyes every 20 minutes.

