**Children who have poor vision processing will likely have poor printing skills**

Most students who have vision problems also have problems with their printing or writing. Printing is often heavy and 9/10 times a child has an inappropriate grasp. This is partly because of tension created when the child is trying to see and possibly an active grasp reflex. The hand and arm become rigid. A complete vision and reading program include hand exercises.

Common symptoms include:

* Printing poorly
* Poor spatial relationship between letters, words, upper- and lower-case letters
* Printing is slow and ponderous
* Inappropriate pencil grasp
* Unable to print automatically, so kinesthetic system fails to register letter combinations.
* Hand muscles aren't functioning properly
* Printing is too dark or too light
* Hand gets tired when printing
* Lots of erasing