

SPECIAL REPORT



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What to Know, What to Do
and When to Act

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Do all children need orthodontic treatment?

Simply put, no. And there is much more to know.

The truth is that most children do benefit greatly by having orthodontic treatment to guide not just teeth into place, but also shape and guide the growth of the jaws and face using the Lifelong Orthodontic Method.

Here is a staggering statistic: only about 15% of the people who could benefit greatly by having orthodontic treatment actually receive the therapy.



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Isn't orthodontic treatment just about getting straight teeth?

The quick answer: absolutely not. Sadly, this myth has misled caring parents for too long.

Here is what we know now.

Orthodontics done for health and function not only provides straight teeth, but also has a multitude of significant health benefits for your child.

What are they?

Here are ten health and function benefits of orthodontics done right the first time:

1. Guided development of the jaws.
2. Guided growth of the face to achieve symmetry and balance.
3. Development of an airway large enough to allow proper breathing and to reduce or eliminate snoring and/or obstructive sleep apnea.
4. Positioning the jaw joints and muscle in the face, head and neck to coordinate comfortably with each other.
5. A strong and stable bite that enhances chewing, tooth positioning and decreased wear so teeth can last a lifetime.



6. Proper positioning of the teeth to deflect food and debris away from the teeth and gums enhancing gum health, preventing decay and preventing food traps.
7. Aligning the tooth roots in the bone properly to withstand the stresses of chewing without breaking, cracking or wearing out prematurely.
8. Proper positioning of the teeth so the right amount of gum shows so your child's smile looks its best. Too much gum gives you or your child a gummy smile. Too little gum showing means that not enough tooth shows.
9. The right overlap of the front teeth so the jaws can be guided properly during chewing.
10. Reduced or eliminated bruxism (clenching and grinding of the teeth) that causes pain in muscles, headaches, degenerates the jaw joint and destroys teeth.

Of course, **you could choose to get only straight teeth for your child, but why miss out on all these other benefits when it is an easy and simple choice to get all these, too?**



How do I know if my child needs orthodontics?



Here are some clues for you to observe in your child:

- Are the teeth crowded?
- Is the upper jaw wide enough to allow the lower jaw to fit into it so the upper teeth overlap the lower teeth?
- Is there a crossbite between the front or back teeth?
- Does the lower jaw seem to be behind or retruded compared to the upper jaw?
- Does the lower jaw stick out past the upper jaw?
- Are there open spaces between the teeth when biting together?
- Is there an open bite where the front teeth don't touch?
- Does your child have difficulty in chewing?
- Does your child snore?
- Does your child have trouble with breathing?
- Does your child grind his/her teeth at night?
- Does your child have trouble with hyperactivity, tiredness during the day or sleep?
- Does your child have trouble with headaches, jaw joint pain or neck aches?

While yes to even one of these questions does not mean orthodontics is necessary, if your answer is yes to multiple questions, the answer becomes more affirmative.

Likewise, if the answer is no to all these questions, it does not mean everything is A-Okay.

If you are like most loving parents, you want what is best for your child so he or she can grow up to a full and rich life.

We understand.

This is why we do what we do because we know it can make such a profound difference in your child's health, appearance and confidence.

For many children, the right orthodontics is so transformative that it literally alters their future for the better.

Like so many things in healthcare, you can't tell for sure without professional guidance and consultation.

We are here to help.

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What is the best age for my child to be seen by the orthodontist?

The members of the scientific community are all in agreement on this answer: age 7.

The American Association of Orthodontists recommends that every child has a screening about the age of seven. This does not mean that treatment will begin then.

The purpose is to check to see if growth of the jaws and the eruption pattern of the teeth are proceeding properly. You would be surprised at how often they are not!

When your child's problems are caught at an early age, orthodontic therapy can guide the growth and development of the jaws and face as well as how the adult teeth come into the mouth. This alone can save time and money later on as well as improve results!

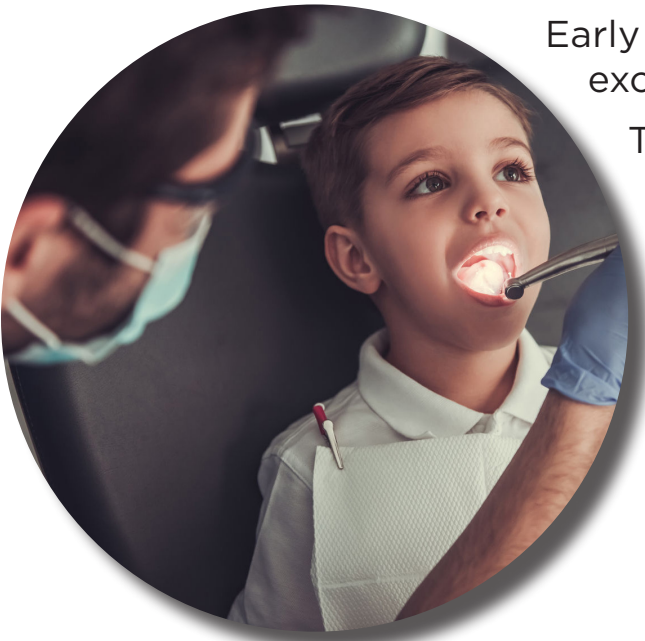
For some children, this can mean avoiding jaw surgery later on.

This is why we provide a **no charge smile and function evaluation for your child so you can be assured of choosing orthodontics at the right time.**

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Does early orthodontic treatment prevent the need for braces later on?

Sorry to report this one. The answer is rarely. Why? Early treatment is about guiding jaw growth and tooth eruption patterns and gaining room for the teeth.



Early treatment sets up your child for excellent orthodontic results later.

Treatment later on is about guiding and moving teeth into the correct bite, creating harmonious jaw position, aligning the teeth so they are straight and creating a nice smile.

At what age should full braces be started?

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Typically we wait until the second molars have erupted into the mouth.

This can range from age 11 (early eruption of the teeth to age 13 (late eruption.) We want these teeth in the mouth so we can move them into the correct position for proper function and support. We can't put braces on unerupted teeth!

Plus, at this age we can still harness Mother Nature's growth patterns to make tooth movement easier and faster.

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Who should I see for orthodontic treatment?

Choose an orthodontist that provides more than just straight teeth.

Orthodontics done right the first time gives lifelong results that assures your child gets what you want him or her to have which includes all those ten other benefits, and a beautiful smile.

We have discovered as a result of a survey of a cross-section of American parents from across the country that parents thought they are getting all these benefits with just any dentist or any orthodontist.

Not true.

It takes more than just a brief clinical exam to properly treat your child.

It starts with a proper clinical evaluation, gathering of records and tests and then private time evaluating by the doctor when you are not present for a proper plan of care.

The Sign of True Orthodontics

This symbol designates you can have the confidence that you and your children are getting the Orthodontic treatment designed for a lifetime of oral health and enjoyment without unnecessary re-dos due to improper or quick diagnoses.



Why would anyone want their orthodontist to guess and estimate instead of know the right treatment based on a thorough diagnosis in the first place?

This also means orthodontic care is not started at the first visit to an orthodontist.

How could any orthodontist take all the factors into consideration to determine care without

spending the time needed to properly evaluate?

This would be like going into your medical doctor's office and receiving a prescription for your child without a full examination of what is going on.

This would be like going into a restaurant and being brought a bill and plate of food without the waiter asking you for what you want to eat!

This would be like going before a judge and being found guilty and sentenced to jail without presenting your facts of the case?

We believe diagnosis can't be pre-determined.

We believe each and every child deserves a customized plan of care before treatment begins.

That is virtually never possible by starting on the first visit.

We think your child deserves better, don't you?

We are Smile Orthodontics.

"We help people to get beautiful smiles that enrich their health and well-being. Orthodontics is about so much more than just straight teeth. It is about helping to create beautiful symmetrical faces, jaw joints that are comfortable and pain-free, airways that get oxygen to the organs and the right bite that helps preserve the teeth and gums for a lifetime." - Dr. Thomas "Tim" Taylor



We would love to help you and your child get that beautiful smile and all the other health benefits that should be yours but are too often ignored.

Call us at **757-384-9547**

Mention this report and receive a free gift at your smile exam for your child.

We look forward to putting a smile on your face and your child's!

Thomas Taylor

SMILE REVIEWS

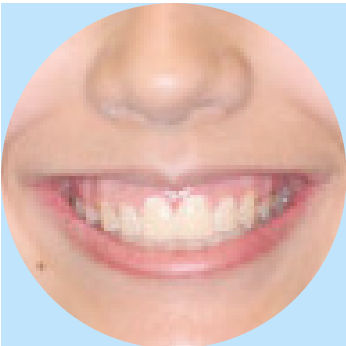
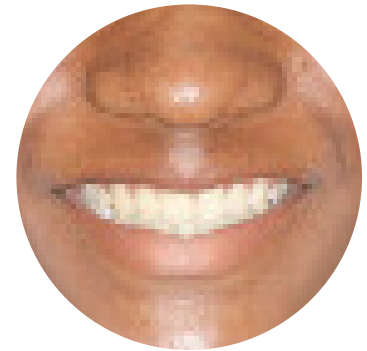


“I am so proud of my new smile that Dr. Hearne and Dr. Taylor gave me. It has provided me the confidence I was looking for when I started treatment with their office. The process from start to finish was easy and the office was accommodating considering my busy schedule”.

– Miss Virginia 2016

I love the staff and the treatment that I received here. I have and will continue to recommend this business to anyone that’s interested in having a beautiful smile.

– Jada Hollingsworth



My daughter goes here. I just love the staff. They are very kind to my daughter who is disabled. They have a lot of patience with her. She loves Dr. Taylor. I tell everyone I know about them.

– Kathy Runyon-Ramage

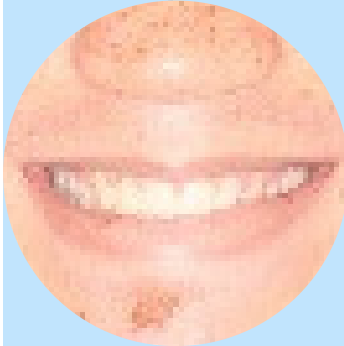
We’ve been going to Taylor Orthodontics for about 4 years now and absolutely love it. They are technologically up to date on everything which makes the whole process run smoother. The staff is always so friendly and helpful. My son had to have braces put on and they will be on for about 2 years and they worked out a great interest free financial arrangement that was very comfortable for us. My son says when they call him in the back that they are also very nice to him. We have had a couple of times when something came loose and they were able to get him in right away to take care of it. They came highly recommended to us and I would highly recommend them to others. We drive from Hampton to Suffolk just to see them. Very happy with my experience with Taylor Orthodontics.

– Tanya Harmon



“When I first came to Taylor Orthodontics, I was 11 years old, and my smile had a lot of work to do. By the time I was done being treated, my smile was exactly how I wanted it to look. With my new, big smile, I gained a lot of confidence in myself. Overall, my time at Taylor Orthodontics was life-changing and very enjoyable.”

– Kendall S.

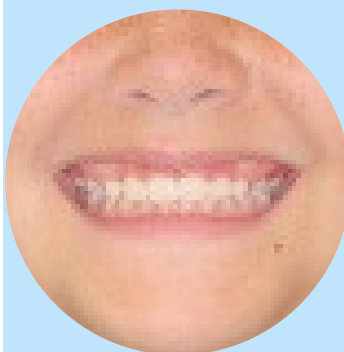
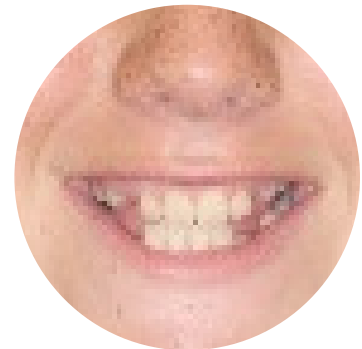


“A great sociable and professional staff. I’ve been able to make friends with most of the staff, including Dr. Taylor. I had a great experience along with a new great smile to show off, all thanks to my years at Taylor Orthodontics.”

- Tyler S.

My son was born with a cleft lip/palate. We appreciate Dr. Taylor and his staff for all they do to give him a beautiful smile. It has been a long road but they have made it worth it.

– Nicole Hardison



My daughter has been a patient there for the past two years. (She just had her braces removed and is now wearing her retainer.) Her teeth look perfect! And her smile is more beautiful than ever!! Everyone there took such great care of her at every appointment. They all seemed so happy to see her and she was always excited to go, saying she was going to see her friends at Taylor Orthodontics. Whenever I did have a question or concern, it was handled in a professional, yet friendly, manner. Everyone on staff there seems to genuinely love what they do and their patients. I would highly recommend this practice!!

– Susan Novak

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