

For Parents

Problems to Watch for in Growing Children

Malocclusions (bad bites) like those illustrated below, always benefit from early diagnosis and treatment. Dr. Newhart is a specialist in orthodontics.



CROSSBITE OF FRONT TEETH

Top teeth are behind bottom teeth



CROSSBITE OF BACK TEETH

Top teeth are to the inside of bottom teeth



CROWDING



OPEN BITE

*Front teeth do not meet when
back teeth are closed*



PROTRUSION



DEEP BITE



UNDERBITE

*The lower teeth sit in front of upper teeth
when back teeth are closed*



SPACING



ORAL HABITS

Sucking on thumb, fingers

If you notice any of the following in your child, please ask Dr. Newhart for a consultation.

- early or late loss of baby teeth
- difficulty in chewing or biting
- mouth breathing
- jaws that shift or make sounds
- speech difficulties
- biting the cheek or the roof of the mouth
- facial imbalance
- grinding or clenching of the teeth

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