

# KUNCIO ORTHODONTICS



Greetings from Kuncio Orthodontics!  
Thank you for visiting our website.

If you are researching different orthodontists in your area for either yourself or a child, this a brief list of criteria that should help you navigate and choose.

## Top 5 reasons for selecting an orthodontist:



1.

### Board-certification.

Make sure the orthodontist you chose for yourself or a child has been certified by the American Board of Orthodontics (ABO). Currently only about 1 in 3 orthodontic specialists (and zero general or pediatric dentists) are certified by the ABO. It is a challenging process which requires doctors to demonstrate actual accomplishments in patient care with detailed case reports on the treatment provided for a broad range of patient problems. After cases are examined by the ABO board, the orthodontist must verbally defend their work, demonstrating orthodontic knowledge, clinical skills, and judgement. You can verify a doctor's board-certification status at [www.americanboardortho.com](http://www.americanboardortho.com)

2.

### Latest technologies.

To ensure that you or your child will receive the best possible orthodontic care, in the quickest amount of time, and with the least amount of discomfort, make sure the doctor you choose uses the latest orthodontic technologies available. These include digital, low-radiation x-ray machines, digital scanners (no more molds!), and custom-made appliances which are both faster and more precise than regular braces. Custom made orthodontic appliances include Invisalign (clear, removable aligners), Incognito (braces hidden on the back side of teeth), and Insignia/Suresmile (digitally made braces and wires).

3.

## Peer-reputation.

Although online reviews from patients are important, an even more crucial factor to consider is the doctor's reputation among other dentists. Ask your general dentist about the orthodontists you are considering. Also, google the doctor to find any peer-reviewed articles they've published, lectures they've given, or teaching appointments they have. Any office can construct a beautiful website or get themselves in a local magazine, but peer-reputation is impossible to fake.

4.

## Children and Adults.

Orthodontic treatment of adults is very different from treating children. Children are usually rapidly growing, while adults are not. There are many orthodontic appliances that can harness the power of growth to assist in treating a case, but only if the doctor is experienced in those techniques. On the other hand, adults tend to have more overall dental and health issues like damaged teeth and gums, nighttime tooth grinding, or sleep problems. All these issues can be treated with proper orthodontics. Ask your orthodontist if they treat both children and adults to make sure you're getting a doctor with the best experience for your clinical case.

5.

## Flexibility.

Orthodontic treatment is expensive and important work. You want to make sure that office you work with understands your specific needs. Some patients require more afternoon or weekend appointments, while others require a longer payment-plan schedule. Most communities have several orthodontic offices to choose from, so please make sure to ask about you or your child's specific needs.

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We hope these criteria were helpful to **you.**

As you know, there are many orthodontists and many orthodontic practices in the neighborhood. Please visit the rest of our website.

If you feel Dr. Kuncio is the right doctor for you or your child, please call or email us for a consultation appointment. We look forward to working with you!



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