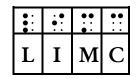


# LOUISIANA INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS CENTER FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED



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LIMC provides instructional materials to students with visual impairments throughout Louisiana. In order to determine/maintain eligibility for service, parents, school officials, and eye care specialists must provide appropriate information. Funding for this program comes from the federal *Act to Promote the Education of the Blind* and a state allocation to the Louisiana School for the Visually Impaired. The nature of the funding does not permit the depository to serve students without a visual impairment. Students with dyslexia must be served by the local education agencies. Eligibility criteria as outlined in *Bulletin 1508: Pupil Appraisal Handbook* are reprinted on the reverse side of this form for your convenience.

#### **To School Officials:**

Please fill out the student information section of the form. Be sure to complete the student's name on the first line of the second page. If you want the vision care specialist to return the completed form to you, place your address information on the bottom right hand corner of the second page. If you wish the form to be sent directly to LIMC, check the appropriate box. Your assistance in providing information is appreciated. The following information is needed:

- ✓ Student Name: Last Name, First Name; Do not use nicknames.
- ✓ Social Security Number
- ✓ Date of Birth
- ✓ Primary Reading Medium
- ✓ Parish/LEA: The school district borrowing the material
- ✓ School Attended: List the school where the student is physically enrolled. If homeschooled, enter "Homeschooled"
- ✓ Placement
- ✓ Program Type
- ✓ School Representative

### To Parent/Guardian:

Please sign and date the release form. Take this form to your child's eye care specialist. Follow any other instruction given to you by your local school.

## To Eye Care Specialist:

Please provide adequate information. Do not substitute other forms or reports. Complete information is needed to:

- √ Verify legal blindness through acuity or restricted field
- ✓ Verify partial sight according to acuity
- ✓ Provide history and prognosis
- ✓ Verify progressive loss of vision or other blindness resulting from a medically documented condition if student is neither legally blind nor partially sighted.
- ✓ Provide physician's contact information and date of exam

## **Visual Impairment**

- I. **Definition**: *Visual Impairment* (including blindness) means an impairment in vision that even with corrections, adversely affects a student's educational performance. The term includes both partial sight and blindness.
- II. Criteria for Eligibility: (Criterion A and either B, C, D, or E must be met.)
  - A. Loss of vision which significantly interferes with the ability to perform academically and which requires the use of specialized textbooks, techniques, materials, or equipment. **AND**
  - B. Visual acuity in the better eye or eyes together with best possible correction of
    - 1. Blindness 20/200 or less distance and/or near acuity, **OR**
    - 2. Partial sight 20/70 or less distance and/or near acuity. OR
  - C. Blindness due to a peripheral field, so contracted, that the widest diameter of such field subtends an angular distance no greater than 20 degrees and that it affects the student's ability to learn. **OR**
  - D. Progressive loss of vision which may, in the future, alter the student's ability to learn. **OR**
  - E. Other blindness resulting from a medically documented condition.

Complete and legible forms usually result in speedier services. Your thoroughness is greatly appreciated.

## **Registry for Students with Visual Impairments**

Release of Information: Permission is given for this information to be released to any agency/person PARENT requesting it as well as to said professional agency/person to forward such information to related agencies or persons. Signature of Parent or Guardian **Date** Student **Date of Birth** SCHOOL OFFICIAL Parish/LEA School ☐ Fifth Grade ☐ Academic Nongraded/Alternative Assessment Reading Media **Placement** ☐ Sixth Grade ☐ Pre-vocational for Student with Multiple ☐ Infant/Toddler Check all that apply ☐ Seventh Grade Disabilities □ Preschool Prereader ☐ Eighth Grade ■ Vocational Computer □ Kindergarten □ Ninth Grade ☐ Adult (All students 21 and older) Optical aids ☐ First Grade ☐ Other (describe) ☐ Tenth Grade ☐ Second Grade Braille □ Eleventh Grade **Program Type** ☐ Third Grade Print ☐ Twelfth Grade Public School/Charter School ☐ Fourth Grade Auditory □ Postgraduate Private/Parochial School Nonreader Homeschool **School Representative Title Phone Number** One box must be checked to establish eligibility This student has loss of vision significantly interfering with the ability to perform academically and requires the use of specialized textbooks, techniques, materials, or equipment. The student is legally blind (corrected acuity of 20/200 or less in the better eye or eyes together or a peripheral field so constricted that the widest diameter of such field subtends an angular distance no greater than 20 degrees) Visual Field OD Visual Field OS OPHTHALMOLOGIST/OPTOMETRIST functions at the definition of blindness where visual functioning is reduced by a brain injury or dysfunction and visual acuity is not possible to determine using the Snellen Chart is partially sighted with corrected acuity of 20/70 or less suffers a progressive loss of vision which may in the future affect the student's ability to learn exhibits blindness resulting from an active disease process **SPECIFY:** Primary Ocular Secondary Condition: Diagnoses: Visual Acuity: Use Snellen Notation and AMA Reading Card **Distant Vision** Near Vision Prescription With Best Without With Low Without With Best With Low Correction Cvl. Correction Vision Aid Correction Correction Vision Aid Sph. Axis Right Eye OD Left Eve OS Both Eyes ouSignature of Physician **Date of Exam Date of Next Exam** Title Name of Examiner Address

City, State, and ZIP

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**FAX** 

Phone

		History		
Prob	Probable age at onset of visual impairment  History of surgeries, injuries, etc.  Color Perception:  Normal Decreased Unknown			
Histo				
Color				
Bino	Binocular Functioning: □ Normal □ Not Present □ Unknown			
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