

Missouri Office of Special Education Compliance Standards & Indicators

2000-ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA: Visual Impairment/Blindness

Legal Requirement	Indicator	Documentation
NOTE: Basis for legal requirement found in <i>Missouri State Plan for Special Education</i> , Section III; Fed. Regulation 300.8, 300.306		
2000.10 Visual evaluation:	<p>The evaluation report documents a comprehensive visual evaluation, by a qualified optometrist or ophthalmologist, which confirms:</p> <p>2000.10.a. Visual impairment,</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p>2000.10.b. A progressive vision loss</p>	Evaluation report
2000.20 Visual acuity:	<p>The child is identified with a <u>visual impairment</u> when:</p> <p>2000.20.a. Visual acuity has been determined to fall within the range of 20/70 to 20/200 in the better eye with best correction by glasses.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p>The child is identified as <u>blind</u> when:</p> <p>2000.20.b. Visual acuity has been determined to fall at 20/200 or less in the better eye after best correction by glasses or when a visual field measures 20° or less.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p>The child is identified with a <u>progressive vision loss</u> when;</p> <p>2000.20.c. An optometrist or ophthalmologist has made a diagnosis of a progressive vision loss.</p>	Evaluation report
2000.30 Comprehensive educational evaluation:	<p>2000.30.a. A comprehensive educational evaluation is present which documents all of the areas in which the child's visual impairment/blindness adversely affects her/his educational performance.</p> <p>2000.30.b. The documentation includes a description of the adverse educational impact of the visual impairment.</p>	Evaluation report