

Visual Impairment

Level 2 Inclusive Education Funding Allocation 1701 Category E

This checklist should only be used as a supplement to Section E.9 of the Inclusive Education Services: A Manual of Policies, Procedures and Guidelines (2024).

Student's Name:

PEN:

Date:

To be eligible, the following must be met:

A documented report from an ophthalmologist, optometrist, orthoptist or the Visually Impaired Program at the BC Children's Hospital describes the student's vision impairment as **one of the following**:

- A visual acuity of 6/21 (20/70) or less in the better eye after correction; **or**
- A visual field of 20 degrees or less; **or**
- Any progressive eye disease with a prognosis of becoming one of the above within a few years; **or**
- A visual problem or related visual stamina that is not correctable that results in the student functioning as if their visual acuity is limited to 6/21 (20/70) or less.

There must be documentation to support that the student has been appropriately assessed and identified by the school district or independent school authority as meeting the criteria of the inclusive education category.

There is documented evidence that:

- A current IEP is in place, dated after September 30, of the previous school year.
- The IEP has individualized goals, with adaptations and or modifications where appropriate, and strategies to meet these goals.
- The goals correspond to the category in which the student is identified.
- The services outlined in the IEP relate to the identified needs of the student.
- The student is receiving inclusive education services to address the needs identified in the assessment documentation that are beyond those offered to the general student population and are proportionate to level of need.
- The student is being offered learning activities in accordance with the IEP.
- The IEP outlines methods for measuring progress in relation to the IEP goals.
- A parent was offered the opportunity to be consulted about preparation of the IEP.

Reduction in class size is not by itself a sufficient service.

A qualified teacher of the visually impaired provides the services.