



**MET ELIGIBILITY RECOMMENDATION – Visual Impairment (VI)
Rule 340.1708**

Student Information		
UIC Code: _____	Date: _____	Grade: _____
Student Name: _____ Birthdate: ____/____/____		
Last	First	Middle
Resident Dist: _____	Attending School: _____	Oper. Dist: _____

This eligibility recommendation is a(n) : ___ Initial Determination ___ Re-Determination
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Attach reports to substantiate the following

Yes	No	Eligibility Requirement
—	—	<p>The student has a visual impairment that is determined through the manifestation of both of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> A visual impairment which, even with correction, interferes with development or which adversely affects educational performance. Visual impairment includes both partial sight and blindness. <input type="checkbox"/> One or more of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> A central visual acuity for near or far point vision of 20/70 or less in the better eye after routine refractive correction. <input type="checkbox"/> A peripheral field of vision restricted to not more than 20 degrees. <input type="checkbox"/> A diagnosed progressively deteriorating eye condition.
—	—	The determination of impairment is based upon a full and individual evaluation by a multidisciplinary evaluation team, which shall include an ophthalmologist or optometrist.

If a student cannot be tested accurately for acuity, then functional visual assessments conducted by a teacher certified in visual impairment may be used in addition to the medical evaluation for determination of impairment.

For students with visual impairment who have a visual acuity of 20/200 or less after routine refractive correction, or who have a peripheral field of vision restricted to not more than 20 degrees, an evaluation by an orientation and mobility specialist shall be conducted. The orientation and mobility specialist shall also include in the report a set of recommended procedures to be used by a mobility specialist or a teacher of students with visual impairment in conducting orientation and mobility training activities.

Assurance Statements
Tests used in the assessment process were administered in accordance with evaluation procedures outlined in IDEA 300.304 including, but not limited to, the following: assessments were administered by trained personnel using standardized instructions; validated for the specific purpose for which they are used; designed to assess specific areas of educational need, and not merely to provide a single general intelligence quotient; reflective of a person’s aptitude, achievement or whatever other factors the test purports to measure, rather than reflecting the person’s impairments, unless this is what the test is intended to measure; selected and administered so as not to be socially, racially or culturally discriminatory and; in the student’s native language where necessary.

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In accordance with IDEA 300.306 eligibility is not primarily due to a lack of instruction in reading, math or limited English proficiency. Procedures for determining eligibility and educational need. (1) In interpreting evaluation data for the purpose of determining if a child is a child with a disability under § 300.8, and the educational needs of the child, each public agency must—(i) Draw upon information from a variety of sources, including aptitude and achievement tests, parent input, and teacher recommendations, as well as information about the child’s physical condition, social or cultural background, and adaptive behavior; and (ii) Ensure that information obtained from all of these sources is documented and carefully considered.

Yes	No	Eligibility Recommendation
___	___	All eligibility requirements have been met
___	___	The impairment necessitates special education or related services, or both

Therefore, we recommend to the IEP team, who will determine eligibility, that

___ based on the data above, the MET team recommends to the IEP team that this student **does meet** eligibility criteria as a student with a **Visual Impairment Rule 340.1708**

___ based on the data above, the MET team recommends to the IEP team that this student **does not meet** eligibility criteria as a student with a **Visual Impairment Rule 340.1708**

MET MEMBERS: Include name, identify title, and attach a statement of disagreement if necessary

Name	Title
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