

VISION SEVERITY CHARACTERISTICS WORKSHEET FOR STUDENTS WITH ADDITIONAL IMPAIRMENTS

Student: _____ School: _____

Visual Diagnosis: _____ Date: _____

Teacher of the VI: _____

Category	0-2 Mild Visual Needs	3-4 Moderate Visual Needs	5-6 Severe Visual Needs	7-8 Profound Visual Needs	Severity Score		
					Date	Date	Date
1. Visual Status	No medically identified vision problem, but ability to attend to visual stimuli is questionable	Medically identified vision problem, with ability to attend to visual stimuli	Medically identified vision problem, with impaired ability to attend to visual stimuli	Medically identified vision problem resulting in profound loss of vision			
2. Functional Visual Status	Visual skills being maintained/reinforced in a variety of settings	New visual skills being introduced or developed	Visual skills fluctuate depending on activity	Totally blind – no input			
3. Response to Stimulation/ Instruction	Minimal response to stimulation/instruction	Occasional response to stimulation/instruction	Frequent response to stimulation/instruction	Consistent response to stimulation/instruction			
4. Educational Need	Classroom participation is not affected by vision loss	Classroom participation is occasionally affected by vision loss	Classroom participation is frequently affected by vision loss	Classroom participation is consistently affected by vision loss			
5. Educational Growth	Continues to demonstrate steady growth	Minimal growth even after intervention	Demonstrating growth but on a plateau	No measurable gains, even after intervention			
6. Potential for Improved Use of Vision	Prognosis for improved visual functioning appears to be good	Currently functioning at a level equal to developmental ability	Some improvement appears possible, gains probable with vision services	Minimal, gains appear remote			
7. Physical Independence	Basically independent	Dependent on others for daily living functions	Dependent on a modified environment, difficulty with certain activities	Dependent on special care for medical and daily living functions			
				TOTAL SCORE			