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## DEAF-BLINDNESS

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Student: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Deaf-blindness is concomitant hearing and visual impairments, the combination of which causes such severe communication and other developmental, educational, vocational and rehabilitation problems that a child cannot properly be accommodated in special education or vocational rehabilitation programs either for the hearing impaired or the visually impaired. The child must have poorer than 20/70 corrected visual acuity in the better eye, cortical blindness and/or no apparent response to visual stimulation and a sensorineural hearing loss or a permanent conductive hearing loss with aided sensitivity of 30 DB or worse bilaterally.

### Checklist for Determining Eligibility:

- Documentation of hearing impairment (must have one):
  - Sensorineural hearing loss
  - Permanent conductive hearing loss with aided sensitivity of 30 DB or worse, bilaterally
  
- Documentation of visual impairment
  - Poorer than 20/70 corrected visual acuity in the better eye
  - Cortical blindness and/or
  - No apparent response to visual stimulation
  
- Documentation that impairments prevent child from benefiting from modified special education or vocational rehabilitation programs for either hearing or visually impaired students.