

Eligibility Criteria Hearing Impairment

Student Name: _____

Date: _____

State Definition

“Hearing Impairment” means impairment in hearing, whether permanent or fluctuating, that adversely affects a child’s educational performance but that is not included under the definition of “deafness.”

District Eligibility Criteria

Audiological Criteria

A hearing loss must exist as identified by the educational audiologist. Please check all that are applicable.

Y N

The audiological evaluation documents a hearing loss of (check all that apply):

0 - 20 dB Normal (Not eligible)

21 - 40 dB Mild loss: Hearing Impairment

41 - 55 dB Moderate loss: Hearing Impairment

56 - 70 dB Moderately Severe loss: Hearing Impairment

71 - 90 dB Severe: Deafness

91+ dB Profound: Deafness

Adverse-Affect: In determining whether a deficit adversely affects a student’s educational performance at school, the following domains should be considered: academic achievement, functional performance, social interaction, and behavioral functioning

Delays/gaps are present in one or more of the following areas to qualify for hearing impairment services

Y N

Auditory Functioning – speech perception, speech discrimination, sound localization, visual attention to details, etc.

Y N

Communication Skills – articulation, receptive and expressive language abilities, pragmatics, speech, reading, oral skills, total communication, or sign, if appropriate.

Y N

Academic skills are below average in reading, writing, or mathematics.

Y N

Functional skills/coping skills – self-advocacy, social interaction skills, adjustment to disability, amplification use and maintenance, etc.

Y N

Other: _____

Findings

Y N

There is a documented hearing loss

Y N

The deficits adversely affect the student's educational performance at school.

Y N

The student requires specialized instruction from a Teacher for the Deaf/Hard of Hearing

Y N

All of the boxes above are checked 'Y' indicating the student is eligible for specialized instruction under the categorical disability area of Hearing Impairment