

**Rules for the Administration of the Exceptional Children's Educational Act
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Eligibility Criteria for Visual Impairment, Including Blindness

- 2.08 (11) A child with a Visual Impairment, Including Blindness, has an impairment in vision that, even with correction, adversely affects the child's educational performance and that requires specialized instruction. The term includes low vision, blindness, and/or progressive vision loss
- 2.08 (11) (a) A determination that a child is an eligible child with a Visual Impairment, Including Blindness may include but not be limited to:
- 2.08 (11) (a) (i) Visual acuity of no better than 20/70 in the better eye after correction
- 2.08 (11) (a) (ii) Visual field restriction to 20 degrees or less.
- 2.08 (11) (a) (iii) A physical condition of visual system which cannot be medically corrected and, as such, affects visual functioning to the extent that specially designed instruction is needed. These criteria are reserved for special situations such as, but not restricted to cortical visual impairment and/or a progressive visual loss where field and/or acuity deficits alone may not meet the aforementioned criteria.