

NEW JERSEY HUMAN SERVICES

Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired

Educational Services

MISSION: The New Jersey Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired works to promote and provide services in the areas of education, employment, independence, and eye health through informed choice and partnership with people who are blind, deaf-blind, or visually impaired, their families and community.

Believe and Achieve!

The NJ Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired (CBVI) provides education services from birth through 12th grade for eligible children and their families to ensure equal access to participation in classroom activities.

A child is eligible for CBVI services if they have one of the following:

- Central visual acuity of 20/70 or worse in the better eye with best correction
- A visual field restriction of 40 degrees or less
- · A rapidly progressing visual condition

Once a child is found eligible for services, CBVI works closely with the student, their family members and local school personnel.



CBVI Education Services are focused on <u>Inclusion</u> and <u>Integration</u> and may include:

- Collaboration and consultation with school personnel and families
- Comprehensive itinerant services provided by a certified Teacher of Blind or Visually Impaired students (TVI)
- · Information and training for families of infants and toddlers with visual impairments
- · Services for children who are multi-disabled with a significant visual impairment
- · Services for children with dual sensory impairments including deaf-blindness
- Literacy enhancement
- Training using adaptive equipment, accessible textbooks, and other instructional materials and technical aids from the George F. Meyer Instructional Resource Center

Additional CBVI Services

These services are also available to all students when appropriate:

- Training in skills of daily living including how to travel independently
- Eye Health Nursing Services
- High School Transition and Vocational Rehabilitation Services
- Summer Development Programs

If a parent thinks their child may be eligible for services, they may contact CBVI directly or ask their local school district to contact CBVI.



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