**Section 755.40 Admission of Students who are Blind or Visually Impaired**

The Superintendent of the Illinois School for the Visually Impaired (ISVI) shall admit students whose primary disability is blindness or visual impairment between the ages of five and 21, if space is available, when it has been determined through an application and evaluation process that ISVI can provide an appropriate program, and the student is an Illinois resident who can meet the following criteria:

a) has been diagnosed by an ophthalmologist licensed pursuant to the Medical Practice Act of 1989 [225 ILCS 60], or

b) has been diagnosed by an optometrist licensed pursuant to the Illinois Optometric Practice Act [225 ILCS 80] as blind or visually impaired including those with secondary disabilities, listed in 89 Ill. Adm. Code 765.10(d).

In addition, the Superintendent may make both outreach and center based services available to infants with visual impairments between the ages of birth and five.

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