



CONSENT FOR RELEASE OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION FROM THE REGISTRATION OF STUDENTS WITH VISUAL IMPAIRMENTS AND THE TEXAS DEAFBLIND CHILD COUNT

All students who are eligible for special education as **VISUALLY IMPAIRED or DEAFBLIND** or **qualified under section 504 as students with visual impairment** must be registered by the district on the Texas Education Agency's annual Registration of Students with Visual Impairments and the Texas Deafblind Child Count as appropriate. The Texas Education Agency needs parent consent in order to release personally identifiable information from the Registration to other entities that use this information for educational and related purposes to benefit the student.

The specific purpose of these disclosures is to qualify registrants for special textbooks, media and materials, and supplemental services. The information also facilitates local, regional, statewide, and national planning, service development, and evaluation. This information is released on an annual basis.

Information to be released may include name, birth date, grade, disabilities, acuity, textbook media, reading level, ethnicity, if your child receives orientation and mobility services, and school district. Rarely for students without Texas Unique ID numbers, the last 4 digits of the social security number may be released.

Student's Name: _____

Yes

No

* I authorize the Texas Education Agency and its contractors responsible for the Registration of Students with Visual Impairments to release personally identifiable educational and statistical data from the annual registration regarding the above-named student to the following entities:

- Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) Blind Children's Program
- Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) Early Childhood Intervention Program (ECI)
- Texas Workforce Commission (TWC)
- American Printing House for the Blind, Inc.
- Regional Education Service Centers in Texas
- Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired
- Texas State Library and Archives Commission, Talking Book Program
- Benetech (also known as Book Share).
- Helen Keller National Center for Deaf-Blind Youths and Adults
- National Center on Deaf-Blindness
- United States Department of Education, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitation Services (OSEP)

Yes No

* I have been fully informed and understand the Texas Education Agency's request for my consent as described above to release my child's records.

Yes No

* I understand that my consent is voluntary and may be revoked at any time.

* For more information, please call: _____ at: _____

*Signature of Parent, Guardian, Surrogate Parent or Adult Student

* Date

* Signature of Interpreter, if used

* Date

Please return this form to the school staff person: _____

at school: _____ as soon as possible.

* Denotes required items

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