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Deaf-blindness Worksheet

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In application of the Virginia Department of Education’s Regulations Governing Special Education Programs for Children with Disabilities in Virginia, this worksheet may assist the eligibility group in applying criteria for students who are being considered for eligibility under the category of Deaf-blindness. Review the definition; consider the items below and note any additional information. Attach this worksheet to the Eligibility Summary Form and include any necessary documentation.

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| STEP  1 | DEFINITION: ***“Deaf-blindness” means simultaneous hearing and visual impairments, the combination of which causes such severe communication and other developmental and educational needs that they cannot be accommodated in special education programs solely for children with deafness or children with blindness.*** |

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| STEP  2 | There is documentation of Deaf-blindness.  **Complete and attach**  **⁭Visual Impairment including Blindness Worksheet**  **⁭Deafness or Hearing Impairment Worksheet** |

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| STEP  3 | The combination of the hearing and visual impairments causes such severe communication and other developmental and educational needs that they cannot be accommodated in special education programs solely for children with deafness or children with blindness. |