

2019 Annual Registration of Students with Visual Impairment & Deafblind Child Count

Region 1 Education Service Center

Results for the 2019 Annual Registration of Students with Visual Impairment shows the following:

- Texas has 10,753 students with visual impairments, an increase of 332 students when compared to 2018.
- 1,936 students are served under Section 504, an increase of 240 students when compared to 2018.
- Region 1 has a total of 668 students with visual impairments, including:
 - 100 students served under Section 504
 - 25 are students with deafblindness
 - When compared to the 2018 Annual Registration, there is a decrease of 21 students overall; specifically, a decrease of 18 students from the category Ages 6-22; most of these students might have graduated
 - 11 students do not have Consent to share confidential information; these students are being served under Section 504
- Age range / placement
 - Infant-2 years: 16 students
 - 3-5 years: 50 students
 - 6-21 years: 602 students
 - * Kindergarten: 21 students
 - * Grades 1-3: 109 students
 - * Grades 4-5: 99 students (total in Elementary School - 229); number of 5th graders going to Middle School this year - 14
 - * Grades 6-8: 161 students (total in Middle School - 161); number of 8th graders going to High School this year - 18
 - * Grades 9-11: 143 students
 - * Grade 12: 68 students (total in High School - 211)
- Visual impairment
 - 270 students (40%) are not legally blind
 - 516 students (77%) have visual and other impairments
- Reading medium
 - 378 students' primary reading medium is visual
 - * 221 students use audio as a secondary reading medium
 - * 1 student uses braille as a secondary reading medium
 - * 156 students (41%) has N/A listed as their secondary reading medium
 - 28 students are braille readers
 - * 25 students use audio as a secondary reading medium
 - * 2 students use visual as a secondary reading medium
 - * 1 student has N/A listed as a secondary reading medium

- 49 students are pre-readers
 - * 10 students have information regarding visual acuities
 - * 19 students are listed as “Undetermined legally blind”
 - * 10 students are listed as “Undetermined Other Visual Handicapped”
- 174 students are symbolic/non-readers
 - * 46 students have light perception, hand movements or no vision; 6 are in an Infant or Pre-school program
 - * 15 students are in elementary school (up to Grade 5)
 - * 13 students are in middle school (grades 6-8)
 - * 12 students are in high school (grades 9-12)
- Orientation and mobility
 - 499 students (75%) received an O&M evaluation within the last 3 years **or** ARD committee accepted an older evaluation as current
 - * 69 students with VI did not have an O&M evaluation
 - * 99 students served under Section 504 did not have an O&M evaluation
 - 264 students (40%) receive O&M services
- Assistive Technology
 - 572 students (86%) are using assistive technology
- Statewide Assessments
 - 22 students take STAAR
 - * 14 students take STAAR in print
 - * 8 students take STAAR in braille
 - 8 students take STAAR Alt 2
 - 3 students take STAAR with Accommodations
- Cause of vision loss (statewide)
 - Cortical Visual Impairment (CVI)
 - Retinopathy of Prematurity (ROP)
 - Optic Nerve Hypoplasia (ONH)