

Visual Impairment Services

If a classroom teacher suspects that a student in his/her class is having visual difficulties the parents need to be encouraged to take their child for a full vision assessment by an optometrist or ophthalmologist. The Resource Teacher for the Visually Impaired does not conduct vision testing. Their job is to work with those students who have been identified with a visual impairment by an optometrist or ophthalmologist.

Once the student has been properly assessed by a qualified optometrist or ophthalmologist, and a severe problem is identified, a visual assessment will be given to the parents who will inform the school. A copy of this report should be forwarded to the Resource Teacher for the Visually Impaired. If the student meets ministry criteria, services or consultation will be provided