

# Federal Quota Eligibility Quick Check

## Need to know if a student meets eligibility requirements?

1. For students 3 and over, does the student meet the definition of blindness (MDB) or function at the definition of blindness (FDB)? Ages 0 to 3 years old see back of card.
  - An eye care specialist or neurologist must make these determinations and provide an eye report to the school every 3 years, unless documented as a non-changing eye condition.
2. Is the student studying at less than the college level and enrolled in a public or private non-profit educational program?
3. Was the student enrolled in the district as of the first Monday in January?
  - Adult students must have been registered for at least 3 months of instruction during the preceding year.
4. Has the student's parent or guardian signed the Permission to Register for Federal Quota form?
  - The form only needs to be signed once during a student's enrollment in a district or agency.

Remember: infants, preschool students, homebound students, and adults can qualify!

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# Federal Quota Eligibility Quick Check Birth to Three

1. Was the child born by the first Monday in January of the current year of registration?
2. Has the child's parent or guardian signed the Permission to Register for Federal Quota form?
  - The form only needs to be signed once during a child's enrollment in an agency.
3. Has the child's doctor provided a note stating the child is blind or visually impaired?
  - At age three, the regular eye report will need to be obtained to verify the student qualifies as MDB or FDB.

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