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Teacher Questionnaire

To the teacher of ______ Grade ____School _____

In order to address the impact of vision problems on classroom performance, we would like your observations of this child's behavior in school. It has been shown that the teacher is frequently the best observer for identifying vision problems that tend to interfere with school work. The following checklist identifies many of the observable clues and symptoms that are often observed in a child with a vision problem. Please read through this list and check items that you have noted to occur in this child's case.

Appearance of Eyes

- □ Reddened eyes or lids
- **D** Excessive tearing of eyes, or rubs eyes
- □ Blinks excessively

Refractive Error or Eye Focusing (Accommodation) Problem

- □ Blinks eyes excessively during near tasks
- □ Frowns, scowls, or squints to see the board
- □ Avoids close work
- □ Fatigues easily during visual tasks
- **D** Rubs eyes during or after visual activity
- □ Complains of blur while reading or writing
- □ Comprehension is poor when reading or performing near tasks

Eye Tracking (Ocular Motility) Problem

- □ Skips or rereads words or letters
- **D** Rereads lines or phrases
- □ Mistakes words with similar beginnings or endings
- □ Uses finger or marker when reading
- □ Loses place often when reading
- □ Repeatedly omits "small" words
- □ Moves head excessively as reads across page

Eye Teaming (Binocularity) Problem

- □ Complains of seeing double
- **Covers or closes one eye**
- One eye turns (in, out, up, or down) at any Time

- Tilts or turns head to one side
- Squints, closes, or covers one eye
- Complains of letters or lines "floating," "running together," or "jumping around"
- □ Reports confusion of what is seen

Visual Information-Processing Problem

- Confuses similar words
- □ Fails to recognize same word in next sentence or page
- □ Confuses minor likenesses and differences
- Makes errors in copying from chalkboard or reference book
- Difficulty following verbal instructions
- Difficulty completing assignments in time allotted
- Poor printing or handwriting
- Short attention span, distractible
- Says words aloud or moves lips as reads
- Reverses letters, numbers, or words
- Poor ability to remember what is read
- Poor eye-hand coordination
- Repeatedly confuses right-left directions
- Poor recall of visually-presented tasks
- School performance not up to potential

Notes:

Is (s)he in the top third, middle	e third, or lower third of his/her c	lass?
How does academic achieveme	ent compare with potential?	
At what grade level does this c	hild read?	
Please check any areas of diffi	culty:	
 Vocabulary Reading Rate Attention Math Skills 	 Word Recognition Interpretation Comprehension Spelling 	 Oral Reading Silent Reading Memory Written Work
	factors that may be interfering wi	
Any other observations and/or	comments which you feel may b	e beneficial to us would be appr
May we contact you if further	information is required? If so, pl	ease provide a telephone numbe
May we contact you if further which you can be reached and		ease provide a telephone numbe
which you can be reached and Teacher School Name	the best time to call.	Phone Best time(s):
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Parent or Guardian Signature