TEACHER QUESTIONNAIRE

ANSWERS FOR TEACHERS OR HOME-SCHOOL TEACHERS ABOUT THE QUESTIONNAIRE

One of your current or former students has filed a claim for disability benefits. We need information from you to help us make our decision. Please complete the enclosed questionnaire.

Q. WHY DO YOU NEED INFORMATION FROM ME?

A. To decide whether a child qualifies for disability benefits, we use information from both medical and nonmedical sources. Medical sources include doctors and other health care professionals; non-medical sources include teachers and other people who spend time with the child. Information from sources who know the child well is important, because a child's level of functioning at school, at home, or in the community may affect his or her eligibility. The information you provide about the child's day-to-day functioning in school will help us to determine the effects of the child's impairment(s). It will also help us to compare this child's functioning to that of other children the same age who do not have impairments. We need this information from you even if you have taught (or did teach) the child for only a short time. Your information is not the only information we will be considering when we decide if the child qualifies for disability benefits, but it is very important to us.

Q. IS THIS REQUEST REDUNDANT? WE (OR OTHERS) HAVE ALREADY EVALUATED THIS CHILD UNDER THE INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES EDUCATION ACT (IDEA).

A. The definition of disability in the Social Security Act is entirely separate from the definition of an "educational disability" in the IDEA. We must determine whether a child's impairment(s) meets the SSA definition of disability, regardless of the child's standing under the IDEA definition of educational disability.

Q. I DO NOT THINK THE CHILD IS DISABLED. SHOULD I COMPLETE THIS FORM?

A. Yes. Under Social Security law, we are responsible for deciding whether this child is disabled, and we will make our decision based on all of the medical, school, and other information we receive. Your observations will help us to have a more complete picture of the child's daily functioning and to make a fair and accurate decision. Your completion of this form does not constitute an endorsement of our decision.

Q. THIS FORM IS LONG. DO I NEED TO ANSWER EVERY QUESTION?

A. Not always. The form uses check boxes and multiple--choice questions to help you provide specific information as easily and quickly as possible, so it is not as long as it may appear. We also organized it into sections that cover broad domains of functioning. For each section, there is an option to check one block indicating that you have not observed any limitations in that domain. When you have not observed any limitations in a domain, you may check that block and move to the next section.

We appreciate your cooperation, your time, and your effort in completing the questionnaire.

The Privacy And Paperwork Reduction Acts

See Revised Privacy Act

The Social Scould repairing running autor is autorized to collect the information on this form under sections 1614 and 1633 of the Social Security Act. Social Security needs this information to make a decision on the named claimant's claim. This form is authorized under 20 CFR 416.924a(a). While giving us the information on this form is voluntary, failure to provide all or part of the requested information could prevent an accurate or timely decision on the named claimant's claim. Although the information/you furnish is almost never/used for any purpose other than making a determination about the claimant's disability, such information may be disclosed by the Social Security Administration as follows: (1) to enable a third party or agency to assist Social Security in establishing rights to Social Security benefits and/or coverage; (2) to comply with Federal Laws requiring the release of information from Social Security records (e.g., to the General Accounting Office and the Department of Veterans Affairs); and (3) to facilitate statistical research and such activities necessary to assure the integrity and improvement of the Social Security programs (e.g., to the Bureau of the Census and private concerns under contract to Social Security).

We may also use the information, you give us when we match records by computer. Matching programs compare our records with those of other Federal, State, or local government agencies. Many agencies may/use matching programs to/find or prove that a person qualifies for benefits paid by the Federal government. The law allows us to do this even if you do not agree to it. Explanations about these and other reasons why information you provide us may be used or given out are available in Social Security offices./If you want to learn more about this, contact any Social Security office.

See Revised Paperwork

Reduction Act Statement Paperwork Reduction Act Statement - 1/115 mormauch collection meets, the requirements of 44 U.S.C. § 3507/as amended by Section 2 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. You do not need to answer these questions unless we display a valid Office of Management and Budget control number. We estimate that it will/take about 15 - 20 minutes to read the instructions, gather the facts, and answer the questions. SEND THE COMPLETED FORM TO THE STATE AGENCY THAT REQUESTED IT. If you have questions about how to complete the form, contact the State Agency that requested it. If you need the address or phone number for your State Agency, you can get it by calling Social Security at 1/800-772-1213/ You may send comments on our time estimate above to: SSA, 6401 Security Blvd, Baltimore, MD 21235-6401. Send only comments relating to our time estimate to this address, not the completed form.

PLEASE REMOVE THIS SHEET BEFORE RETURNING THE COMPLETED FORM

SC	CIAL SECURITY ADMINIS	STRATION			OMB No. 0960-0646
RE	QUESTING OFFICE NAM	E AND ADDRESS	ATTACH LABE	L OR TYPE IN CL	AIMANT NAME
	THIS FOR	TEACHER Q M SHOULD BE COMPLET WITH THE CHILD'S (SON(S) MOST	FAMILIAR
Na	ame of School:				
<u> </u>		nown, or did you know, thi w long, do you, or did you		,	
3.	Actual Grade Level:	Current Instructional Levels		Special Ed. Servi	ces & Frequency
	Student/Teacher Ratio:	Reading Level: Math Level: Written Language Level:			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
4.	Is there, or was there,	, an unusual degree of abs	senteeism? O	No O Yes	lf yes, please explain:
5.			h 🔿 046 /	lease specify	<u></u>
5. 6.	Dominant Language.			icase specily	J.
0.	Any other names by	which the child is known:			

IMPORTANT

Please compare this child's functioning to that of same-aged children who do not have impairments.

If the child is receiving special education services, please be sure to compare his or her functioning to that of same-aged, unimpaired children who are in regular education.

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I. ACQUIRING AND USING INFORMATION

• NO problems observed in this domain; functioning appears age-appropriate. If you selected this block, go directly to Section II.

• YES, the child has problems functioning in this domain. Please mark a rating for each activity listed below.

	Co		TING KEY FOR ACTIVITIES ng of same-aged children w		his chi	ld has:		
N	1 o Problem	2 A slight problem	3 An obvious problem	4 A serious problem		A very s	5 erious j	problem
						RATI	NG	
1.	Comprehend	ing oral instructions		Ò	Ô	Ŏ	Ó	Ô
2.	Understandir	ng school and content vo	cabulary	Ů	Ô	Ŏ	Ó	<u>Ô</u>
3.	Reading and	comprehending written I	material	Ò	Ô	Ő	Ó	Ô
4.	Comprehend	ling and doing math prob	lems	Ó	Ô	Ŏ	Ó	Ô
5.	Understandi	ng and participating in cla	ass discussions	ò	Ô	Ő	Ó	Ô
6.	Providing or	janized oral explanations	and adequate descriptions	Ó	Ô	Ŏ	Ó	Ô
7.	Expressing i	deas in written form		Ó	Ô	Ŏ	Ó	<u>Ô</u>
8.	Learning nev	v material		ò	Ô	Ŏ	Ô	<u>Ô</u>
9.	Recalling an	d applying previously lea	med material	ò	Ô	Ŏ	Ó	Ô
10.	Applying pro	blem-solving skills in cla	ss discussions	ò	Ô	Ŏ	Ó	<u>Ô</u>

What else can you tell us about the child's problems with these activities? For example, how independent is the child in doing them? Does the child get extra help, or an unusual degree of structure or support? If so, what kind and how often? (Continue on the last page if needed.)

II. ATTENDING AND COMPLETING TASKS

• NO problems observed in this domain; functioning appears age-appropriate. If you selected this block, go directly to Section III.

• YES, the child has problems functioning in this domain. Please mark a rating for each activity listed below.

	Co	RA mpared to the functioning	TING KEY FOR AC						is child has	:		
N	1 lo Problem	2 A slight probl em	3 An obvious pro	oblem		A seri	4 ous p	roblem	A very	5 serious	probl	em
					R/	ATIN	G		FREQUE	NCY O	F PRC	BLEM
1.	Paying attent	tion when spoken to direc	tly	Ó	Ô	Å	Ô	Ő	Monthly	Veekty		Hourly
2.	Sustaining at	tention during play/sports	activities	Ô	Ô	Å	Ô	Ó	Monthly	Veekly	Daily	Hourly
3.	Focusing Ion	g enough to finish assign	ed activity or task	Ô	Ô	Å	Ô	Ô	Monthly	Weekly O	Daily	Hourly
4.	Refocusing to	o task when necessary		Ó	Ô	Ů	Ô	Ő	Monthly	Veekiy	Daily	Hourty
5.	Carrying out	single-step instructions		Ó	Ô	Ô	Ô	Ô	Monthly	Weekly	Daily	Hourty
6.	Carrying out	multi-step instructions	<u> </u>	Ó	Ô	³ O	Ó	Ô	Monthly	Weekly	Daily	Hourly
7.	Waiting to ta	ke turns		Ô	Ô	Ô	Ó	Ő	Monthly	Weekly	Daily	Hourly
8.	Changing fro	m one activity to another	without being	Ó	Ô	Ŏ	Ó	Ő	Monthly	Weekly	Daily	Hourly
9.	Organizing o	wn things or school mate	rials	Ô	Ô	Å	Ó	Ô	Monthly	Weekiy	Daily	Hourly
10.	Completing of	ass/homework assignme	ents	Ó	Ô	Ů	Ó	Ő	Monthly	Weekly	Daily	Hourly
11.	Completing v	vork accurately without ca	areless mistakes	Ó	Ô	Ů	Ó	Ò	Monthly	Weekly	Daily	Hourly
12.	Working with	out distracting self or othe	ers	Ó	Ô	Ŏ	Ó	Ô	Monthly	Weekly	Daily	Hourly O
13.	Working at re	easonable pace/finishing	on time	Ò	Ô	Ŏ	Ô	Ő	Monthly	Weekiy O	Dally O	Hourly

What else can you tell us about the child's problems with these activities? For example, how independent is the child in doing them? Does the child get extra help, or an unusual degree of structure or support? If so, what kind and how often? (Continue on the last page if needed.)

III. INTERACTING AND RELATING WITH OTHERS

• NO problems observed in this domain; functioning appears age-appropriate. If you selected this block, go directly to Section IV.

O YES, the child has problems functioning in this domain. *Please mark a rating for each activity listed below.*

	Con	RAT npared to the functioning	ING KEY FOR ACTIVITI g of same-aged children			this child has:
N	1 o Problem	2 A slight problem	3 An obvious problem	A ser	4 ious proble	5 m A very serious problem
				RATIN	G	FREQUENCY OF PROBLEM
1.	Playing coope	eratively with other childre	n Ó	ÔÔ	ÓÔ	Monthty Weekly Daily Hourly
2.	Making and k	eeping friends	Ó	ÔÖ	ÔÔ	Monthly Weekly Daily Hourly
3.	Seeking atten	tion appropriately	Ó	ÔÖ	ÔÔ	Monthly Weekly Daily Hourly
4.	Expressing ar	nger appropriately	Ó	ÔÔ	ÔÔ	Monthly Weekly Daily Hourly
5.	Asking permis	ssion appropriately	ò	ÔÖ	ÔĎ	Monthly Weekly Daily Hourly
6.	Following rule	es (classroom, games, spo	orts) O	ÔÖ	ÔÔ	Monthly Weekly Daily Hourly
7.	Respecting/o	beying adults in authority	Ó	ÔÔ	ÓÔ	Monthly Weekly Dally Hourly
8.	Relating expe	eriences and telling stories	Ó	ÔỔ	ÓÔ	Monthly Weekly Daily Hourly
9.	Using langua	ge appropriate to the situa	ation and listener	² ³ ³	ÓÔ	Monthly Weekly Daily Hourly
10.	Introducing a topics of conv	nd maintaining relevant ar	nd appropriate	² ³ ³	ÔÔ	Monthly Weekly Daily Hourly
11.	Taking turns	in a conversation	Ó	ÔÔ	ÓÔ	Monthly Weekly Daily Hourly
12.	Interpreting n language, hin	neaning of facial expression its, sarcasm	on, body O	ÔÔ	ÓÔ	Monthly Weekly Daily Hourly
13.	Using adequa	ate vocabulary and gramn as in general, everyday co		ÔÔ	ÓÓÓ	Monthly Weekly Daily Hourly

Has it been necessary to implement behavior modification strategies for the child? O NO O YES if yes, please explain below (e.g., behavior plan, personal assistant, time-out, quiet room, removal from the classroom, change of school placement, suspension, expulsion). Please be as detailed as possible.

What else can you tell us about the child's problems with these activities? For example, how independent is the child In doing them? Does the child get extra help, or an unusual degree of structure or support? If so, what kind and how often? (Continue on the last page if needed.)

INTERACTING AND RELATING WITH OTHERS continued on next page

III. INTERACTING AND RELATING WITH OTHERS (CONTINUED)

How lister	much of the child's speech can you, as a familiar ler, understand on the first attempt?	Very Little	No more than 1/2	1/2 to 2/3	Almost All
1.	When the topic of conversation is known?	0	0	0	0
2.	When the topic of conversation is unknown?	0	0	0	0
How unde	much of the child's speech can you, as a familiar listener, rstand after repetition and/or rephrasing?	0	0	0	0

IV. MOVING ABOUT AND MANIPULATING OBJECTS

• NO problems observed in this domain; functioning appears age-appropriate. If you selected this block, go directly to Section V.

O YES, the child has problems functioning in this domain. Please mark a rating for each activity listed below.

	Co		TING KEY FOR ACTIVITIE		s child has:
N	1 o Problem	2 A slight problem	3 An obvious problem	4 A serious problem	5 A very serious problem
					RATING
1.			er (e.g., standing, balancing, , running, jumping, climbing)		ÓÓÖÓÓÓ
2.	Moving and r transferring o	manipulating things (e.g., objects; coordinating eyes	pushing, pulling, lifting, carr s and hands to manipulate si	ving, nall objects)	ÓÓÓÓÓÓ
3.	Demonstratir	ng strength, coordination,	, dexterity in activities or task	S	ÓÓÓÓÓÓ
4.	Managing pa	ce of physical activities of	or tasks		òòòòò
5.	Showing a se	ense of body's location a	nd movement in space		ÒÒÖÖÖÖ
6.	Integrating se	ensory input with motor o	output		òỏỏỏỏ
7.	Planning, rer	nembering, executing co	ntrolled motor movements		Ô Ô Ô Ô Ô

What else can you tell us about the child's problems with these activities? For example, how independent is the child in doing them? Does the child get extra help, or an unusual degree of structure or support? If so, what kind and how often? (Continue on the last page if needed.)

V. CARING FOR HIMSELF OR HERSELF

O NO problems observed in this domain; functioning appears age-appropriate. If you selected this block, go directly to Section VI.

O YES, the child has problems functioning in this domain.

Please mark a rating for each activity listed below.

	Cor	RA npared to the function	TING KEY FOR AC ng of same-aged c	TIVITI hildr e r	ES LI: with	STED out ii	BEL	OW ments, th	is child has:			
N	1 o Problem	2 A slight problem	3 An obvious pro	blem		A sei	4 ious	problem	A very	5 serious	proble	em
<u></u> ب					R/	TIN	G		FREQUEN	CY OF	PRO	BLEM
1.	Handling frus	tration appropriately		Ō	Ô	Å	Ô	Ô	Monthly	0	Daily	O
2.	Being patient	when necessary		Ò	Ô	Ŏ	Ó	Ô	Nonthly	O	Oaily	O
3.	Taking care	of personal hygiene		Ó	Ô	Å	Ó	Ô	Monthly	Veekly	Oaily	Hourty
4.	Caring for ph	ysical needs (e.g., dress	ing, eating)	Ó	Ô	Ô	Ó	Ô	Monthly	Weekly	O	O
5.	Cooperating medications	in, or being responsible t	or, taking needed	Ò	Ô	Å	Ô	Ő	Monthly	Weekly O	Oaily	Hourly
6.	Using good j dangerous c	udgement regarding pers	sonal safety and	Ò	Ô	Ŏ	Ó	Ô	Monthly	Veekly	O	Hourty
7.		nd appropriately asserting	g emotional needs	Ò	Ô	Ŏ	Ó	Ő	Monthly	Weekly O	Oaity	Hourly
8.	Responding (e.g., calmin	appropriately to changes	in own mood	Ò	Ô	Ô	Ó	Ó	Monthly O	O	Daily	Hourly
9.		priate coping skills to me	et daily demands	Ò	Ô	Ŏ	Ó	٥́	Monthly	Weekly O	Oally	Hourty
10.		en to ask for help		Ó	Ô	Ő	Ô	Ő	Monthly O	Weekly	Oally	Hourly

What else can you tell us about the child's problems with these activities? For example, how independent is the child in doing them? Does the child get extra help, or an unusual degree of structure or support? Is so, what kind and how often? (Continue on the last page if needed.)

VI. MEDICAL CONDITIONS AND MEDICATIONS/HEALTH AND PHYSICAL WELL-BEING

	Does the condition have a retardation, incontinence.	nic or episodic condition (e.g., asthma, sic any physical effects (e.g., shortness of br pain) that interfere with the child's function hysical effects related to the condition?	eath, reduced stamina, psycholitoto
2.	Please check any of the t	following that the child uses:	
	Glasses	Nebulizer/Inhaler	Assistive Technology device
	Hearing Aid	Auditory Trainer	C Orthopedic devices
	Prosthesis	Other (please specify)	
3.	Is medication prescribed	for this child? O No O Yes C	Don't know Specify below, if known
4.	Does this child take the r	medication on a regular basis?	No OYes ODon't know
5.	Does this child's function If yes, please explain be	ing change after taking medication?	No OYes ODon't know
6.	Does this child frequent	y miss school due to illness? O No	O Yes If yes, please explain below.
V tr	hat else can you tell us eatment for the conditio	about the physical effects of the child on? (Continue on the last page if need	's physical or mental condition or ed.)
	PLEASE PROVIDE	YOUR NAME AND TITLE ON NEXT PA	AGE. Add any remarks as needed.
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arks, or to note any changes in the child's functioning, for better or worse, that you wo	to make any additiona ould like to address.
	. <u>.</u>
	Date
ne/Title e need more information about this child,	
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VII. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

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SSA will insert the following revised PRA Statement into the form at its next scheduled reprinting:

Privacy Act Statement Teacher Questionnaire

Collection and Use of Personal Information

Sections 1614 and 1633 of the Social Security Act, as amended, and 20 CFR 416.924a(a), authorize us to collect this information. We will use the information you provide to make a decision on the named claimant's claim.

The information you furnish on this form is voluntary. However, failure to provide the requested information could prevent us from making an accurate and timely decision on the named claimant's claim.

We rarely use the information you supply for any other purpose than to make a decision on a claimant's disability. However, we may use it for the administration and integrity of Social Security programs. We may also disclose information to another person or to another agency in accordance with approved routine uses, which include but are not limited to the following:

- 1. To enable a third party or an agency to assist Social Security in establishing rights to Social Security benefits and/or coverage;
- 2. To comply with Federal laws requiring the release of information from Social Security records (e.g., to the Government Accountability Office and Department of Veterans Affairs);
- 3. To make determinations for eligibility in similar health and income maintenance programs at the Federal, State, and local level; and
- 4. To facilitate audit or investigative activities necessary to assure the integrity of Social Security programs.

We may also use the information you provide in computer matching programs. Matching programs compare our records with records kept by other Federal, State, or local government agencies. Information from these matching programs can be used to establish or verify a person's eligibility for Federally-funded or administered benefit programs and for repayment of payments or delinquent debts under these programs.

Explanations about these and other reasons why information you provide us may be used or given out are available in Systems of Records Notice 60-0089 (Claims Folder Systems). The Notice, additional information about this form, and any other information regarding our systems and programs, are available on-line at <u>www.socialsecurity.gov</u> or at your local Social Security office.

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