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Physical Disabilities—Required Documentation

Disability Services will accept current diagnoses of physical disabilities that are based on appropriate diagnostic evaluations administered by trained and qualified (i.e., certified and/or licensed) professionals (e.g., medical doctors, ophthalmologists, psychologists, neuropsychologists, audiologists). Disability diagnosis categories include:

- 1. orthopedic disability
- 2. blind or visual impairment
- 3. deaf or hard-of-hearing
- 4. acquired brain injury and
- 5. other health-related/systemic disabilities

The diagnostic report must include:

- 1. Clear disability diagnosis, including a clinical history that establishes the age of the student at the initial date of diagnosis, last contact with the student, and any secondary conditions that might be present.
- 2. Procedures used to diagnose the disability.
- 3. Description of any medical and/or behavioral symptoms associated with the disability.
- 4. Discussion of medications, dosage, frequency, and any adverse side effects attributable to their use.
- 5. Clear statement specifying functional manifestations (i.e., substantial limitations to one or more major life activities and degree of severity) due to the disability and/or medications for which the student may require accommodations.
- 6. Recommendations for accommodations, including rationale. If the accommodation recommendations are specific to limitations in learning (e.g., reading, mathematics, written expression), an appropriate psychoeducational or neuropsychological evaluation must be administered to document ability/achievement discrepancies.