

**Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education
Task Force on Blind Student Academic and Vocational Performance
Nominee Information Form**

Persons needing Braille or large print copies of the following should contact the Division of Special Education at 573-751-0187. This document may also be emailed or faxed upon request.

Missouri statutes provide for formation of a Task Force on Blind Student Academic and Vocational Performance. According to the statute, "this task force shall develop goals and objectives to guide the improvement of special education, related services, vocational training, transition from school to work, rehabilitation services, independent living and employment outcomes for eligible students" (§162.1130.3).

The Department of Elementary and Secondary Education is seeking nominations of persons to this task force.

Appointment of members will ensure that the following categories are represented on the Blind Task Force:

- Missouri School for the Blind
- Department of Social Services (DSS)
- Consumer organizations (NFB/MCB)
- Teachers of the visually impaired
- Special Education administrators
- School building principals
- Current students (a student who is currently enrolled in a secondary or postsecondary school)
- Parents of students who are blind or visually impaired
- Employers
- Institutions of Higher Education
- Rehabilitation Council for the Blind (FSD)
- Orientation and mobility specialists
- Department of Elementary and Secondary Education

This membership may be modified by the Commissioner of Education, in cooperation with the Director of the Department of Social Services. Appointments to the Task Force will be made by the Commissioner of Education, in cooperation with the Director of the Missouri Department of Social Services. Individuals appointed to the Task Force must be in compliance with House Bill 600 (their state taxes must be current). A background check will be done by the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

The Task Force will meet at least quarterly in the mid-Missouri area. All reasonable and necessary expenses will be paid by the state agency. Appointees will be expected to attend all meetings and actively participate in all Task Force activities. The state agency will reimburse expenses for all reasonable accommodations that may be needed by task force members.

Nominees are asked to complete the following information along with a current resume.

First and last name of nominee (please print).
Social Security Number
Date of Birth
Mailing address of nominee (please print).
Voice line of nominee.
Fax line of nominee.
Email address of nominee.
Please identify information for two persons who can serve as references to your professional work. 1. 2.
Which "membership category (ies)" of the Task Force are you applying to fill? <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Teacher of the visually impaired• Special education administrator• Public school building principal• Student (a student who is currently enrolled in a secondary or postsecondary school)• Parent (a parent of student who is blind or visually impaired)• Employer• Institution of Higher Education• Rehabilitation Council for the Blind (FSD)• Orientation and mobility specialist
What other state-wide or regional task forces, advisory panels or such organizations are you or have you been a member of?
What accommodations, if any, do you require?

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