Action Alert

CAOMS FAPE Committee

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Our blind and visually impaired youth need full access to the Expanded Core Curriculum, including off-campus Orientation & Mobility lessons! Our bill is ready to go to the California legislature! Assembly Member Sharon Quirk-Silva from Orange County has agreed to introduce our bill this year. Please contact Assembly Member Sharon Quirk-Silva to thank her for agreeing to author the bill and to let her know how important this issue is for our students!

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Sample letter:

Dear Assembly Member Quirk-Silva,

I am a parent/mobility teacher/Braille teacher/your role of visually impaired students in the school system. I am very concerned about the restrictions that some educational jurisdictions place on instruction for blind and visually impaired students. I feel that it is critical for these students to have full access to the specialized instruction that meets their individual needs, as outlined in the Expanded Core Curriculum. This should include community-based Orientation & Mobility instruction as appropriate. Children with visual impairments, just like their non-disabled peers, have the right to graduate high school with the education and skills they need to be successful in adult life. I am pleased that you have agreed to author a bill to address this issue. Thank you for your support!

Sincerely,