**24:05:24.01:22.  Criteria for articulation disorder.** A student may be identified as having an articulation disorder if one of the following criteria exist:

(1)  Performance on a standardized articulation test falls two standard deviations below the mean and intelligibility is affected in conversation;

(2)  Test performance is less than two standard deviations below the mean but the student is judged unintelligible by the speech and language clinician and one other adult;

(3)  Performance on a phonological assessment falls in the profound or severe range and intelligibility is affected in conversation;

(4)  Performance on a phonological assessment falls in the moderate range, intelligibility is affected in conversation, and during a tracking period of between three and six months there was a lack of improvement in the number and type of errors; or

(5)  An error persists six months to one year beyond the chronological age when 90 percent of students have typically acquired the sound based on developmental articulation norms.

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