# AIR Self-Determination Scale ${ }^{\odot}$ <br> EDUCATOR FORM 

Student's Name $\qquad$ Date

Date of Birth (or age)


Educator's Name $\qquad$

School Name $\qquad$

## HOW TO FILL OUT THIS FORM

Each page of this form lists characteristics and behaviors that indicate the degree to which your student demonstrates traits of self-determination and the degree to which the people influencing your student provides opportunities that foster self-determination. For each item, select the appropriate rating code based on what you have observed about your student. An example is provided to illustrate each characteristic. Feel free to write in a different example that supports your rating for your student.

Here is an example of how you should mark your answers.

## EXAMPLE QUESTION:

Student checks for errors after completing a project.

## EXAMPLE ANSWER:

Check the box of the rating code which tells what your student is most like:
(Check ONLY ONE box per question).

1 Never $\qquad$ student never checks for errors.

2 Almost Never $\qquad$ student almost never checks for errors.

3 Sometimes $\qquad$ student sometimes checks for errors.

4 Almost Always $\qquad$ student almost always checks for errors.

5 Always. $\qquad$ student always checks for errors.

## KNOWLEDGE of Self-Determination Behaviors

| 1. Student knows own abilities and limitations. Example: James can identify his personal strengths and talents, such as his musical ability as well as areas in which he needs improvement, like his below average math problem-solving skills. |  | Almost Never $\square$ | Sometimes $\square$ <br> 3 | Almost Always | Always $\square$ 5 |
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| 2. Student knows how to set expectations and goals that satisfy own interests and needs. <br> Example: Lee wants to attend college and knows that to get good grades, she needs to work hard on her assignments and complete them on time. | Never $\square$ $\mathbf{1}$ | Almost Never $\square$ | Sometimes $\square$ <br> 3 | Almost Always | Always $\square$ |
| Knowledge Total: Items 1+2 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3. Student knows how to make choices, decisions, and plans to meet own goals and expectations. <br> Example: When making plans to meet her goals, Lynn knows how to identify various strategies, weigh the pros and cons, and follow through. |  | Almost Never $\square$ | Sometimes $\square$ <br> 3 | Almost <br> Always | Always |
| 4. Student knows how to take actions to complete own plans successfully. <br> Example: Kenneth knows how to follow through on a scheduled plan to complete his work accurately and on time. |  | Almost Never $\square$ 2 | Sometimes $\square$ <br> 3 | Almost Always $\square$ 4 | Always $\square$ <br> 5 |
| Knowledge Total: Items 3+4 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5. Student knows how to evaluate results of actions to determine what was effective. <br> Example: Germaine knows what questions to ask to find out how well she is doing. |  | Almost Never | Sometimes $\square$ <br> 3 | Almost Always | Always |
| 6. Student knows how to change actions or plans to meet goals and satisfy needs and wants. Example: Jose understands that to get an A in math, he may need to study one hour every night; if that doesn't work he may have to work two hours every night; and if that doesn't work he may have to learn to study more effectively. |  | Almost Never $\square$ 2 | Sometimes $\square$ <br> 3 | Almost Always $\square$ 4 | Always $\square$ |
| Knowledge Total: Items 5+6 |  |  |  |  |  |

## ABILITY to Perform Self-Determination Behaviors

| 1. Student expresses own interests, needs, and abilities. <br> Example: Sarah communicates her athletic interest and talent in conversations, written journals, or participation in sports activities. |  | Almost Never | Sometimes $\square$ 3 | Almost <br> Always | Always |
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| 2. Student sets expectations and goals that will satisfy own interests needs, and wants. <br> Example: Loving to spend time drawing and doing art, Daniel sets the goal of finding art classes that he can take after school once a week. |  | Almost Never | Sometimes $\square$ <br> 3 | Almost Always | Always $\square$ <br> 5 |
| Ability Total: Items 1+2 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3. Student knows how to make choices, decisions, and plans to meet own goals and expectations. <br> Example: Anna weighed the pros and cons of doing three types of history projects, chose to write a research report, outlined the report, and made a schedule for completing the report on time. | Never $\square$ $\mathbf{1}$ | Almost Never | Sometimes $\square$ <br> 3 | Almost <br> Always | Always |
| 4. Student initiates actions on own choices and plans. <br> Example: Ming begins work right away each time he gets an assignment or is asked by someone to help with a project. |  | Almost Never | Sometimes $\square$ <br> 3 | Almost Always | Always |
| Ability Total: Items 3+4 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5. Student gathers information on results of actions. <br> Example: After completing her work, Theresa checks it for errors and asks others to look it over and make suggestions. | Never $\square$ $\mathbf{1}$ | Almost <br> Never | Sometimes $\square$ <br> 3 | Almost Always | Always $\square$ <br> 5 |
| 6. Student changes own actions or plans to satisfy expectations and goals, if necessary. Example: Ricardo tries different approaches to solve problems and to complete tasks that are difficult for him. | Never $\square$ $\square$ | Almost Never | Sometimes $\square$ 3 | Almost Always | Always |
| Ability Total: Items 5+6 |  |  |  |  |  |

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## PERCEPTION of Knowledge and Ability to Perform Self-Determination Behaviors

| 1. Student feels free to express own needs, interests, and abilities, even when facing opposition from others. <br> Example: Fran defends her needs and interests to anyone who questions them. |  | Almost Never $\square$ | Sometimes $\square$ <br> 3 | Almost Always $\square$ | Always <br> 5 |
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| 2. Student feels free to set own goals and expectations, even if they are different from the expectations others have for the student. Example: Trevor does not feel constrained by others' opinions in setting goals and expectations for himself. |  | Almost Never | Sometimes $\square$ <br> 3 | Almost Always <br> 4 | Always |
| Perception Total: Items 1+2 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3. Student feels free to make own choices, decisions, and plans to meet own goals and expectations. <br> Example: Corine often considers her parents' suggestions when making choices and plans, but the final plans taken to meet her goals are her own. | Never | Almost Never | Sometimes $\square$ <br> 3 | Almost <br> Always | Always |
| 4. Student feels confident about being able to successfully complete own plans. <br> Example: When Nicholas schedules his own activities, he is confident he can complete them accurately and on time. | Never $\square$ $\mathbf{1}$ | Almost Never | Sometimes | Almost Always | Always |
| Perception Total: Items 3+4 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5. Student is confident about using feedback to evaluate results of own work. <br> Example: Amanda is confident that she will be able to benefit from the feedback she receives from her parents, teachers, and peers. |  | Almost Never | Sometimes | Almost Always | Always |
| 6. Student changes plans again and again to meet a goal without getting discouraged. <br> Example: Levar is motivated to work on a project as long as it takes, using whatever approaches are necessary, to get it right. |  | Almost Never | Sometimes $\square$ <br> 3 | Almost Always | Always |
| Perception Total: Items 5+6 |  |  |  |  |  |

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## OPPORTUNITY To Perform Self-Determination Behaviors AT SCHOOL

| 1. Student has opportunities at school to explore, express, and feel good about own needs, interests, and abilities. <br> Example: Christine's teachers encourage her to talk about her athletic interests and abilities and about what sports activities she wants to do. | Never $\square$ $\mathbf{1}$ | Almost Never | Sometimes $\square$ <br> 3 | Almost <br> Always | Always $5$ |
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| 2. Student has opportunities at school to identify goals and expectations that will meet his or her needs, interests, and abilities; to set these goals; and to feel good about them. <br> Example: Troy's teachers let him know that he is responsible for setting his own goals to get his needs and wants met. | Never $\square$ $\mathbf{1}$ | Almost Never | Sometimes $\square$ | Almost <br> Always | Always $\square$ 5 |
| Opportunity at School Total: Items 1+2 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3. Student has opportunities at school to learn about making choices and plans, to make them, and to feel good about them. <br> Example: Shebra's teachers allow her to make her own choices and plans for school assignments, family chores, and leisure activities. | Never $\square$ $\mathbf{1}$ | Almost <br> Never $\square$ | Sometimes $\square$ | Almost <br> Always | Always |
| 4. Student has opportunities at school to initiate actions to meet expectations and goals. <br> Example: Manuel's teachers tell him that he is responsible for scheduling study time and for handing in assignments on time. | $\stackrel{\text { Never }}{\square}$ |  | Sometimes $\square$ <br> 3 | Almost <br> Always | Always $\square$ <br> 5 |
| Opportunity at School Total: Items 3+4 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5. Student has opportunities at school to get results of actions taken to meet own plans. Example: Michelle's teachers are available to give feedback on projects whenever she needs it. | Never $\square$ $\mathbf{1}$ | Almost <br> Never | Sometimes $\square$ <br> 3 | Almost <br> Always | Always <br> 5 |
| 6. Student has opportunities at school to change actions and plans to satisfy own expectations. <br> Example: Laurent's teacher encouraged him to take his time and to revise his work as often as necessary to satisfy his own expectations. | Never $\square$ $\mathbf{1}$ | Almost Never $\square$ 2 | Sometimes $\square$ <br> 3 | Almost Always | Always $\square$ 5 |
| Opportunity at School Total: Items 5+6 |  |  |  |  |  |

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## OPPORTUNITY To Perform Self-Determination Behaviors AT HOME

| 1. Student has opportunities at home to explore, express, and feel good about own needs, interests, and abilities. <br> Example: Maria's parents encourage her to talk about her athletic interests and abilities and about what sports activities she wants to do. | Never $\square$ $\mathbf{1}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline \begin{array}{c} \text { Almost } \\ \text { Never } \end{array} \\ \square \mathbf{2} \end{gathered}$ | $\square$ <br> 3 | Almost Always 4 | Always <br> 5 |
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| 2. Student has opportunities at home to identify goals and expectations that will meet his or her needs, interests, and abilities; to set these goals; and to feel good about them. <br> Example: Roberto's parents let him know that he is responsible for setting his own goals to get his needs and wants met. | Never <br> $\square$ <br> $\mathbf{1}$ |  | Sometimes $\square$ <br> 3 | Almost Always | Always <br> 5 |
| Opportunity at Home Total: Items 1+2 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3. Student has opportunities at home to learn about making choices and plans, to make them, and to feel good about them. <br> Example: Kelly's parents allow her to make her own choices and plans for school assignments, family chores, and leisure activities. | Never $\square$ $\mathbf{1}$ | Almost <br> Never $\square$ <br> 2 |  | Almost <br> Always | Always $\square$ $5$ |
| 4. Student has opportunities at home to initiate actions to meet expectations and goals. <br> Example: Anthony's parents tell him that he is responsible for scheduling study time and for handing in assignments on time. |  | Almost <br> Never $\square$ <br> 2 | Sometimes $\square$ <br> 3 | Almost Always | Always $\square$ 5 |
| Opportunity at Home Total: Items 3+4 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5. Student has opportunities at home to get results of actions taken to meet own plans. Example: Thuy's parents are available to give feedback on projects whenever she needs it. | Never $\square$ $\mathbf{1}$ | Almost <br> Never | Sometimes <br> 3 | Almost <br> Always <br> 4 | Always <br> 5 |
| 6. Student has opportunities at home to change actions and plans to satisfy own expectations. Example: Stacy's parents encourage him to take his time and to revise his work as often as necessary to satisfy his own expectations. | Never $\square$ $\mathbf{1}$ |  | Sometimes $\square$ <br> 3 | Almost <br> Always <br> 4 | Always $\square$ 5 |
| Opportunity at Home Total: Items 5+6 |  |  |  |  |  |

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PLEASE WRITE YOUR ANSWERS TO THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS IN THE SPACES BELOW.

Give an example of a goal the student is working on.

What is the student doing to reach this goal?

How is the student doing in reaching this goal?

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