

Measuring Intensity of Behavior

Example of an intensity scale:

Mild: Disruptive but not dangerous

Moderate: Verbal/physical threats and/or destructive to physical environment

Severe: Poses a physical danger to student and/or others

Examples:

Mild: Student refuses to do work and taps foot and pencils.

Moderate: Student rips up pages in book and throws it across the room.

Severe: Student strikes peers with sufficient force to cause bruising or student grabs peer around the neck in an attempt to choke him or her.

*Note: If you are using a numbered scale, (i.e., 1-5), be sure to indicate specific definitions for numerical values.