

# SPECIAL EDUCATION ACCOMMODATIONS

Accommodations refer to learning strategies, tools, supports, and/or services that are required in order for a student to access the curriculum and demonstrate learning. Instructional Accommodations refer to changes in learning and teaching strategies that allow the student to access the curriculum. Environmental Accommodations refer to changes that are required to the classroom and/or school environment so that the students can learn in a safe and inclusive environment. Assessment Accommodations refer to changes and flexibility in assessment strategies that are required in order for the student to demonstrate learning.

## Examples of Accommodations

- Buddy/peer tutoring
- Note-taking assistance
- Duplicated notes
- Contracts
- Reinforcement incentives
- High structure
- Partnering
- Ability grouping
- Augmentative and Alternative Communications Systems
- Assistive technology, such as text-to-speech software
- Graphic organizers
- Non-verbal signals
- Organization coaching
- Time-management aids
- Mind maps
- Increased breaks
- Concrete/hands-on material
- Manipulatives
- Tactile tracing strategies
- Gesture cues
- Dramatizing information
- Visual cueing
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- Large size font
- Tracking sheets
- Colour cues
- Reduced/uncluttered format
- Computer options
- Spatially-cued formats
- Repeat information
- Reword/rephrase information
- Allow processing time
- Word retrieval prompts
- Taped text

## Environmental Accommodations

- Alternative workspace
- Strategic seating
- Instructor proximity
- Reduced audio/visual stimuli
- Study carrel
- Minimize background noise
- Quiet setting
- Use of headphones
- Special lighting
- Assistive devices or adaptive equipment
- Extended time limits
- Verbatim scribing
- Oral responses, including audiotapes
- Alternative settings
- Increased breaks
- Assistive devices or adaptive equipment
- Prompts to return student's attention to task

## Assessment Accommodations

- Augmentative and Alternative Communications Systems
- Assistive technology, such as speech-to-text software
- Large size font
- Colour cues
- Reduced/uncluttered format
- Computer options
- Processing time allowed