

Differentiation and Accommodation Resources

Differentiation

IDEA.ED.GOV – search of “differentiating curriculum” turned up 117 matches for curriculum, demonstrating the critical nature of curriculum to all students

<http://idea.ed.gov/explore/search> - “differentiating curriculum”

Differentiated Instruction: An Overview – by Cindy A. Strickland

http://www.epsbooks.com/flat/newsletter/vol05/vol05iss05/Differentiated_Instruction.pdf

Teacher Preparation and Access to the Core Curriculum – Special Edge–Summer 2002

<http://www.calstat.org/specialEdgeOld.html> - request Summer 2002 back issue

Watering Up the Curriculum for Adolescents with Learning Disabilities – Edwin Ellis

<http://www.ldonline.org/article/5743>

Accommodations and Modifications

OSEP Ideas that Work – provides the “Took Kit on Teaching and Assessing Students with Disabilities” and has a lot of information about accommodations (including an online bibliography), information about Universal Design for Learning (UDL), etc.

<http://www.osepideasthatwork.org/toolkit/index.asp>

Parent Materials – another OSEP page with a whole page on instructional and assessment accommodations.

<http://www.osepideasthatwork.org/parentkit/index.asp>

PEAK Parent Center Accommodations - a resource from OSEP

http://www.peakparent.org/pdf/fact_sheets/accommodations.pdf

NICHCY – National Dissemination Center for Children with Disabilities

<http://research.nichcy.org/accommodations1.asp>

Accommodations and Modifications - continued

Families and Advocates Partnership for Education (FAPE) (PACE) School Accommodations and Modifications

<http://www.fape.org/pubs/FAPE-27.pdf>

<http://www.fape.org/pubs/index.htm> - great general information

See also <http://www.pai-ca.org/PUBS/504701.htm> - Special Education Rights and Responsibilities Chapter 7, Least Restrictive Environment, regarding appropriate supplementary aids and services to children in the general education classroom.

Accessibility Standards

National Instructional Materials Accessibility Standards - NIMAS

<http://idea.ed.gov/explore/view/p/%2Croot%2Cdynamic%2CTopicalArea%2C10%2C>

Questions and Answers on NIMAS

<http://idea.ed.gov/explore/view/p/%2Croot%2Cdynamic%2CQaCorner%2C5%2C>

LD Online: Accessible Textbooks - A Guide for Parents of Children with Learning Disabilities

<http://www.ldonline.org/article/16308> - provides the basis in IDEA 2004 for the national accessibility standards, some great links to resources and also how to go about working with your district to obtain what your student needs.

Articles regarding Accommodations and Modifications

Do We Over Accommodate? Teachers Debate Accommodations and Modifications

<http://www.wrightslaw.com/advoc/articles/accom.teach.debate.htm>

Are Teachers Required to Provide All Accommodations & Modifications Listed in the Child's IEP?

<http://www.wrightslaw.com/phprint.php>

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