



COMMON ACCOMMODATIONS

Small changes. Big impact.

Accommodations level the playing field by reducing barriers so your child can access learning and show what they know.



1. TIME



- Extra time on tests and assignments
- Extended time to complete tasks
- Breaks as needed
- Flexible deadlines when appropriate



2. PRESENTATION



- Audiobooks or text-to-speech
- Highlighted or simplified text
- Teacher or peer notes
- Access to digital materials



3. INSTRUCTION



- Multi-sensory instruction
- Individual or small group support
- Directions broken down into steps
- Repetition and reinforcement



4. ASSIGNMENTS



- Reduced or modified assignments
- Focus on quality over quantity
- Modified homework load
- Allow alternative ways to respond



5. TESTING & ASSESSMENTS



- Extra time
- Quiet testing environment
- Oral testing options
- Reduced distraction
- Alternative formats (e.g., typed vs. handwritten)



REMEMBER:

Accommodations are not advantages—they are **ACCESS**.



They help remove barriers so your child can show their abilities and reach their full potential.





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Helping your child thrive at school.



6. ENVIRONMENT



- Preferential seating
- Reduced distractions
- Quiet or movement breaks
- Access to fidgets or sensory tools
- Private space or quiet area as needed



7. ORGANIZATION & EXECUTIVE FUNCTION



- Help with planning and prioritizing
- Visual schedules and checklists
- Graphic organizers
- Support with time management
- Breaking tasks into smaller steps



8. COMMUNICATION



- Directions given in multiple ways
- Check for understanding
- Allow extra time to process and respond
- Use of visual supports
- Access to written communication when needed



9. TECHNOLOGY



- Use of spell-check and grammar tools
- Speech-to-text tools
- Word prediction software
- Calculators or other assistive technology
- Digital note-taking tools and apps



TIPS FOR ADVOCATING EFFECTIVELY



KNOW YOUR CHILD

Understand their strengths, challenges, and what helps them succeed.



DOCUMENT BE SPECIFIC

Track patterns, challenges, and what supports make a difference.



COLLABORATE

Work as a team with teachers and school staff.
You are your child's expert!



FOLLOW UP

Check in regularly and review what's working (and what needs to change).



STAY POSITIVE & PERSISTENT

Your advocacy helps your child thrive today and in the future.



REMEMBER:

Accommodations are not about giving an unfair advantage—they are about ensuring equal access to learning.



With the right supports, your child can build confidence, reach their goals, and shine!

