

K-8 Warren Hills Curriculum

Modifications

Special Education and 504 Students

Modifications are available to children who receive services under IDEA or Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act..

GENERAL MODIFICATIONS:

- Allow outlining, instead of writing for an essay or major project
- Computerized spell-check support
- Word bank of choices for answers to test questions
- Provision of calculator and/or number line for math tests
- Film or video supplements in place of reading text
- Reworded questions in simpler language
- Projects instead of written reports
- Highlighting important words or phrases in reading assignments
- Modified workload or length of assignments/tests
- Modified time demands
- Pass/no pass option
- Modified grades based on IEP

BEHAVIOR MODIFICATIONS:

- Breaks between tasks
- Cue expected behavior
- Daily feedback to student
- Use de-escalating strategies
- Use positive reinforcement
- Use proximity/touch control
- Use peer supports and mentoring
- Model expected behavior by adults
- Have parent sign homework/behavior chart
- Set and post class rules
- Chart progress and maintain data

Students At Risk of School Failure

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Students or groups of students who are considered to have a higher probability of failing academically or dropping out of school.

- Maximize use of community resources
- Connect family to school and school activities
- Support through transition
- Help develop compensating strategies
- Increase opportunity for positive peer group influences
- Supplemental courses
- Placement in small and interactive groups

English Language Learner Students (ELL)

ELL students are students who are unable to communicate fluently or learn effectively in English, who often come from non-English-speaking homes and backgrounds, and who typically require specialized or modified instruction in both the English language and in their academic courses.

- Alternate Responses
- Notes in Advance
- Extended Time
- Simplified Instruction (written and verbal)
- Online Dictionary
- Use lots of visuals
- Use physical activity; model, role-play
- Repeat/Rephrase often
- Use lower level materials when appropriate

Gifted and Talented Students (G&T)

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Inclusion, infusion and differentiated instruction across the curriculum meets the individual needs of gifted and talented students. Gifted and talented services include:

- Differentiated curriculum for the gifted learner.
- Regular classroom curricula and instruction that is adapted, modified, or replaced.
- Educational opportunities consisting of a continuum of differentiated curricular options, instructional approaches and materials.
- Integrated G&T programming into the general education school day.
- Flexible groupings of students to facilitate differentiated instruction and curriculum.

Learning Environments:

- Extensive outside reading
- Active classroom discussion
- Innovative oral and written presentations
- Deductive and inductive reasoning
- Independent writing and research
- Divergent thinking
- Challenging problem solving situations
- Interactive, independent and interdisciplinary activities