# Assessment Accommodations Checklist<sup>TM</sup>

# **Assistance Prior to Administering the Test**

- 1. Teach test-taking skills
- 2. Administer practice activities
- 3. Other

#### **Motivational Accommodations**

- 4. Provide treats, snacks, or prizes, as appropriate
- 5. Provide verbal encouragement of student's efforts
- 6. Encourage student who may be slow at starting to begin
- 7. Encourage student who may want to guit to sustain effort longer
- 8. Encourage student to remain on task
- Other

# **Scheduling Accommodations**

- 10. Provide extra testing time (indicate how much on student form)
- 11. Allow frequent or extended rest breaks
- 12. Schedule testing over extra days
- 13. Administer the test at a time most beneficial to the student
- 14. Other

#### **Setting Accommodations**

- 15. Provide distraction-free space or an alternative location for the student (e.g., study carrel, front of classroom)
- 16. Place the student in the room or pan of the room where he/she is most comfortable
- 17. Conduct the testing in a special education classroom
- 18. Conduct the testing at home or at a hospital location
- 19. Provide for an individual test administration
- 20. Provide special lighting
- 21. Provide adaptive or special furniture
- 22. Provide special acoustics
- 23. Play soft, calming music to minimize distractions
- 24. Allow the student freedom to move, stand, or pace during an individualized administration of the test
- 25. Other

### **Assistance with Test Directions**

- 26. Read directions to student
- 27. Reread directions for each subtask as needed
- 28. Simplify language in directions (paraphrase)
- 29. Clarify student questions regarding what to do by asking the student about what is written in the test booklet
- 30. Underline verbs in the test instructions
- 31. Circle or highlight the task in the directions
- 32. Have student reread and restate directions in his/her own
- 33. Provide additional practice activities before administering the test
- 34. Use sign language or oral interpreters for directions and sample items
- 35. Color-code instructions to emphasize steps
- 36. Other

#### **Assistance During the Assessment**

- 37. Arrange for a special education teacher or other qualified person to administer test
- 38. Read questions and content to student
- 39. Sign questions and content to student
- 40. Restate the question with more appropriate vocabulary or define unknown vocabulary in the question
- 41. Turn pages for the student
- 42. Record student's response (in writing or by audio taping)
- 43. Assist the student in tracking the test items by pointing or by placing student's finger on the items
- 44. Provide spelling assistance, where appropriate
- 45. Have teacher sit near student
- 46. Other

# **Equipment or Assistive Technology**

- 47. Text-talk converter
- 48. Speech synthesizer or electronic reader
- 49. Visual magnification devices
- 50. Auditory amplification devices
- 51. Masks or markers to maintain place
- 52. Tape recorder
- 53. Computer or word processor for recording responses
- 54. Braille writer for recording responses
- 55. Communications device to indicate responses
- 56. Calculator
- 57. Manipulatives
- 58. Ruler
- 59. Pencils adapted in size or grip
- 60. Device that transforms print into a tactile form
- 61. Arithmetic tables
- 62. Written list of necessary formulas
- 63. Noise buffers
- 64. Other

#### **Test Format Accommodations**

- 65. Use lined or grid paper for recording answers when only blank space was provided
- 66. Provide Braille or large-print editions of the test
- 67. Audio tape test questions
- 68. Change presentation format of written material (e.g., increase spacing between lines, reduce number of items per page, print one complete sentence per line)
- 69. Provide a copy or overhead transparency of diagramdtables needed for tasks so student does not have to flip back and forth in test booklet
- 70. Use large-print answer document
- 71. Use test forin with vertically arranged multiple-choice items that have an answer circle to the left of each choice
- 72. Provide cues such as stop signs or arrows on the test
- 73. Mark responses in test book rather than on separate answer document
- 74. Use a computer for task presentation

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