The Student Success Team (S.S.T.) Handbook



Sweet Home School District

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The RTI at Work Multitiered System of Support Pyramid

INTRODUCTION

SHSD's Student Support System

- Professional Learning Communities (PLCs): Grade level or vertical collaborations which allow teachers to build capacity and engage in problem solving with their grade level team. Each team should spend a portion of their PLC meeting as a problem solving team for struggling students. A teacher may bring a student forward to the PLC for discussion during this time.
- Grade Level Intervention Opportunity: Students who require re-teaching of essential standards (Tier I) and are below grade level are supported by teacher teams with research based interventions to help increase academic growth and promote academic success.
- Student Success Team (SST): A problem solving and coordinating structure that assists students and teachers to seek positive solutions for maximizing student's potential. The SST focuses in-depth on one student at a time.

The SHSD Student Support System

The support system is a way to meet every student's needs, ensuring high levels of learning for all.

STUDENT SUCCESS TEAM (S.S.T.)

The Student Success Team (S.S.T.) is a problem solving and coordinating system that assists students and school staff to develop positive solutions for maximizing the potential of students. SST provides a collaborative environment for the discussion of a student's concerns, development of an action plan, and monitoring of results.

The Function of the Student Success Team:

• The function of the Student Success Team is to support the referring teacher, caregiver, and student by looking at the strengths and concerns from each team member's unique viewpoint.

Goal of the Student Success Team:

 The <u>goal</u> of the Student Success Team process is to provide the referring parties with NEW interventions that address the concerns and taps into student strengths.

The Purpose of the Student Success Team:

- Provide a forum for school personnel to discuss student needs
- Assist teachers to solve problems with students using the collective expertise of other appropriate professionals
- Enhance communication between staff members and between the school and home
- Provide effective educational alternatives within the instructional environment
- Identify instructional needs through systematic measurement of student progress
- Document student progress and adjusts instructional approaches
- Document that lack of student progress is not due primarily to health, environmental, cultural or economic factors.

SST ensures that all students learn at high levels.

SST is a school site team.

SST is not gateway to Special Education Services.

SST is not a way to stall Special Education Services.

SST prevents inappropriate and disproportionate referrals and placement to Special Education.

SST Team Members, Roles & Responsibilities

Student Success Team (SST) Members Include:

Referring Teacher/Staff Counselor Title 1 Specialist Administrator

Additional SST Participants May Include:

Other General Education Teachers, Special Education Teacher, Behavior Specialist, Homeless Children and Families Liaison, School Psychologist, Speech and Language Pathologist, English Language Development Specialist, District Nurse

It is recommended that someone be assigned at each site to perform the following roles. Suggested members are in parenthesis.

1. Scheduler (office staff, Student Support Center staff, referring staff, school counselor)

- Manage the case file through the SST process: log relevant dates, schedule meetings
- Support the referring teacher through the process: follow-up within first week to ensure all members are invited and have responded.
- 2. Facilitator (administrator, counselor, Student Support Center staff, teacher)
 - Call meeting to order
 - Introduce team members
 - Review purpose of meeting
 - Summarize problem areas reported by referring teacher
 - Lead group in problem-solving effort
 - Allot specified amount of time per agenda item
 - Monitor team progress
 - Re-direct discussion as necessary
- 3. Referring Teacher/Staff
 - Contact child's parent prior to seeking SST assistance
 - Complete referral packet
 - State concerns in observable and measurable terms
 - Be prepared to state expected behavior academic, attendance and/or social
 - Attend scheduled meetings
 - Agree to share responsibility in implementation of the action plan
 - Collaborate with team to problem-solve solutions
- 4. Recorder (any SST member)
 - Record problem-solving process
 - Note contributions made by all members
- 5. Time Keeper (Any SST member)
 - Be aware of SST steps and use of time
 - Be prepared to remind team of use of time
- 6. File Keeper
 - Keeper of hard-copy student file
 - Makes copy of SST file for cumulative file if student moves

Each SST team member will attend meeting and accepts responsibility in assisting the student through their ideas, strategies, and/or hands-on support.

THE INITIAL S.S.T. REFERRAL

The Expectation Is That Teachers and Other Referring Staff Have Attempted a Variety of Interventions Prior to An SST Referral

- Students can be referred directly by a staff member or by the parent/guardian of the student.
- A student should be considered for referral to the SST ONLY after supports by teacher and PLCs have been <u>exhausted</u> and the student continues to demonstrate inadequate progress in the areas of academics, behavior, and/or mental health.



TEACHER PREPARATION CHECKLIST FOR SST MEETING

Be prepared to present specific background information about the student, including:

- □ Strengths (to develop interventions)
 - Academics- good with problem solving, likes to read, enjoys art and music, works well on the computer
 - Social/emotional wants to please adults, chosen by classmates as friend
 - Multiple intelligences linguistics, logical-mathematical, bodily- kinesthetic, spatial, musical, interpersonal, intrapersonal
- Interests including student preferences for reading and writing topics, science and math themes, projects, etc.
- Academic functioning in: reading fluency/recognition/comprehension, oral language, written language and math
- □ Amount/quality of classwork and homework

Be prepared to:

- □ Discuss efforts to work with the family to resolve your concerns
- □ Identify/discuss the area of greatest concern
- Discuss strategies and modification you have already tried
- Discuss strategies and modification you and your PLC team have tried
- □ State your desired outcome in measurable/observable terms
- □ Collaborate with the SST to generate interventions
- □ Implement agreed upon classroom interventions
- □ Regularly monitor student

Bring to the SST Meeting:

- Data from each intervention that has been used
- □ Pertinent Communication
- □ Recent work samples that reflect both strengths and areas of concern
- In-Class assessments which show academic levels
- □ Cumulative file
- Other: _____

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Student Success Team (SST) Flow Chart





Sweet Home SST Referral Form

2018-2019

Student Name:								
Parent Name(s):		Phone #:						
Classroom teacher has c	onferenced with parent(s)?						
Parent(s) has/have been	contacted regarding SST	referral?						
Classroom Teacher:								
Birthdate:	Age:	Gender:						
	dentified as, or receiving a er Youth 🛛 ELD	any of the following <i>(check all that apply)</i> Counseling Special Ed						
Please check all of the pe		o have in attendance for the meeting:] Other						
Areas of Strength:								
 Academic Skills Artistic Compassionate Courteous Confident Cooperative Creative Enthusiastic 	 Hard Worker Highly articulate Leadership Skills Likes School Listens Effectively Optimistic Patience Physical Strength 	 Positive Social Skills Sense of Humor Tries/attempts Tasks Other Other Other Other Other Other 						
Area(s) of Concern:								
Reading		dance						
🔲 Math	🗌 Socia	l/Emotional						
□ Writing	🗌 Other							
What is the Primary Con	cern?							

Intervention Checklist (please check all interventions that apply to the situation and have been used):

Behavior Management	Date Range	Effecti	ve?
	-	Yes	No
Clarification of rules			
Awards/rewards			
Increase choices offered to student			
Sensory breaks			
Behavior incentive contract			
□ Other			

Intervention Checklist Continued (please check all interventions that apply to the situation and have been used):

Instr	uction	Date Range	Effective?	
-			Yes	No
	PLC-designed fluid grouping			
	Small group instruction			
	Break down tasks to smaller steps			
	Individualized instruction			
	Modify curriculum			
	Change grouping			
	Modify or shorten assignments			
	Simplify directions			
	After-school tutoring			
	Other			

Reinforcers	Date Range	Effective?	
		Yes	No
Daily effort report			
 Positive notes/calls home Reinforce correct responses promptly 			
 Concrete rewards for starting, continuing, or completing work 			
□ Social reinforcement			
Modeling desired behavior			
Contracts			
Principal time/job/reward Courselor time/job/reward			
□ Other			

Building Resources	Date Range	Effecti	ve?
-		Yes	No
Building/cross age tutor			
□ Volunteer(s)			
Principal assistance/support			
Counselor assistance/support			
Reading specialist services			
☐ Other			

Parental Communication	Date Range		Effective?
	-	Yes	No
Notes home			
Parent telephone contact			
Parent email contact			
Parent/teacher conference			
Parent/teacher/student conference			
Parent notification of reward			
□ Other			

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Goal 2:					
Current Data to	Support this Goal:				
Goal 2 Measura	ble Intervention/s and	l actionable g	goal/s:		
Start Date:		Monitoring Too	ol:	Responsible Party:	
Schedule f	ollow up meeting dat	e for:			
	FOLLO	DW-UP MEET	ING INTERVENTION SUM	MARY	
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SST Goal 1 Met	? 🗌 Yes	🗌 No	Partial:		
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Suggested SST Meeting Steps and Procedures

Welcome & Expectations (1 minute)

- Facilitator welcomes and introduces invited personnel, thanks requester; sets positive tone
- Confirms meeting purpose, outcomes, agenda, and timelines

Share the Referral (2-3 minutes)

• Hard copies of referral provided to team members

Identify the Primary Concern (2 minutes)

• Requesting teacher summarizes problem succinctly

Identify Desired Outcome/Goal (2 minutes)

• Team identifies specifically what they want student to achieve

Brainstorm Possible Interventions (5-8 minutes)

- Facilitator leads focused brainstorming
- All present generate as many interventions as possible without critiquing
- Recorder takes minutes

Evaluate Feasibility of Interventions (5-8 minutes)

- Facilitator leads discussion to analyze possible interventions, their match to the presenting problem and the feasibility of implementation
- Recorder takes minutes

Select Intervention/s (2-3 minutes)

• Facilitator assists requesting teacher, with the support of team, to select preferred interventions

Write Action Plan (3-4 minutes)

- Facilitator leads team to complete the plan including goals, interventions, support to the teacher, person(s) responsible, timelines, data to be collected, date for follow up meeting
- Recorder captures plan in writing; retains copy and gives to requesting teacher

Summarize & Close (1 minute)

• Facilitator verbally summarizes major points of the meeting and defines next steps

Give me six hours to chop down a tree and I will spend the first four sharpening the axe. -Abraham Lincoln

APPENDIX

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQS)

Who can refer a student to the SST?

Any school staff can refer a student to SST. Parent(s) or guardians may request that the classroom teacher refer the student to SST. The referring staff member must be in attendance at the SST meeting.

Does the parent/guardian have to be invited to the SST?

NO, although, parents do need to be contacted and advised that there are concerns and that the SST will meet to problem-solve/identify solutions.

Who contacts the parent?

The classroom teacher (or referring school staff) is to contact the parent/guardian regarding the SST referral. It is assumed that the teacher will have been in communication with the parent regarding his/her concerns before the SST referral is initiated.

How long should the SST meeting last?

Usually 20 to 30 minutes. If brainstorming and planning takes longer than this, most likely the problem has not been properly identified.

How many times does the SST meet regarding a specific child?

At least 2: The first to determine what interventions need to be put into place and the second to report back on the success of the interventions or suggest other interventions.

Does the SST information get put in the cumulative folder?

Yes. It is recommended that an SST section be established and placed in the cumulative "cum" folder. This will allow others to see what concerns have surfaced and how those concerns were addressed. Also, if the student moves, the new school will be alerted to previous concerns and interventions.

What should I do if my student has been through the process multiple years in a row and they are still struggling? Shouldn't a student like this be referred for special education?

 A student who continues to struggle in some aspect of the curriculum is NOT necessarily a student who is suspected to have a disability or be eligible for special education services.

- Remember: There are three (3) general "prongs" of <u>eligibility</u>
 <u>determination</u>, all of which are necessary to be present to determine that a student is eligible for special education and related services:
 - (1) The student must meet the <u>eligibility criteria</u> for a disability as defined under at least one of the disability categorizations established by the State of Oregon, OAR 581-015-2130 through OAR 581-015-2180 or OAR 581-015-2795;
 - (2) The student's disability <u>adversely</u> affects their educational performance;
 - (3) The student <u>requires</u> specialized academic instruction and/or related services.
- There are also <u>exclusionary factors</u> that must be considered. A student cannot be determined to be identified as eligible for special education if the determinant factor for the determination is any of the following:
 - Lack of appropriate instruction in reading, including the essential components of reading instruction or lack of instruction in mathematics;
 - Lack of achievement due to inadequate school attendance;
 - Limited English proficiency.

Sample Interventions

About this document: Interventions listed below are drawn from a number of sources. The interventions include strategies, modifications, adaptations and resources. <u>Not all interventions are effective for all children.</u>

Attendance Strategies

Student/Family-Focused

- 1. Alarm clock for parent/caregiver/student
- 2. Earlier bedtime
- 3. Give parent/caregiver information re: simpler walking route
- 4. Help parent/caregiver to find better transportation to school
- 5. Parent/caregiver agrees to bring child to school daily
- 6. Parent/caregiver will make sure child gets on bus in morning
- 7. Parent/caregiver will wake up earlier to get child to school on-time
- 8. Student will wake up earlier
- 9. Wake -up call for parent/caregiver and/or student

School-Focused

- 1. Post the names of perfect attenders in a highly visible place
- 2. Teachers telephones absent *student* to inquire about reasons for absence and encourage attendance
- 3. Awards/rewards for perfect attenders (e.g. Certificate of recognition; opportunity to opt out of one final exam of student's choice; school T-shirt; assist a younger student; special field trips, lunch-time or end-of-school parties; chance to enter a drawing to win special prizes donated by local businesses)
- 4. Develop a student-school contract system that requires students to document their classroom achievement, citizenship and promptness
- 5. Display attendance graphs in faculty room to show current and past school years' attendance patterns
- 6. Elicit the cooperation of doctors, dentists, and other allied health professionals in scheduling appointments after school
- 7. 9. Involve parent volunteers or school aides in contacting parents/caregivers about absences, using a standardized telephone call format
- 8. 10. Make home visits re: attendance if parents/caregivers cannot be contacted by telephone
- 9. 11. Post good attendance banners in grade level classrooms that have had the best attendance
- 10. 12. Provide tutoring to help absent students do better
- 11. 13. Publicize perfect attendance rewards in the local newspaper
- 12. 14. Review student attendance records on a weekly basis to catch emerging absence patterns
- 13. 15. Send commendation letters to students and parents for perfect attendance and improved attendance

Behavior Strategies

- 1. After-school program
- 2. Allow student to draw to calm down in class
- 3. Allow student to walk around while reading
- 4. Allow student to stand when doing work (use clipboard)
- 5. Apply consequences without anger

- 6. Ask counselors to do in-class presentations on self-esteem
- 7. Ask student to describe/define the consequences of inappropriate behavior (to make sure he/she understands them)
- 8. Avoid anything that looks like rejection of the student
- 9. Diffuse power struggles through choices
- 10. Avoid helping too much (student can "learn helplessness")
- 11. Avoid ignoring the student
- 12. Avoid threats, punishment, sarcasm, public teasing or shaming
- 13. Build rapport with student (focus on strengths, interests); schedule regular time to talk
- 14. Call home on a bad day for support
- 15. Call home on a good day
- 16. Call on student to participate more in class
- 17. Change antecedent event (event that occurs prior to target behavior)
- 18. Chart/graph student behavior (assess/determine pattern of behavior)
- 19. Class/counselor change recommended
- 20. Classroom problem-solving sessions
- 21. Collaboration with outside sources (e.g., therapist, tutor, after-school program)
- 22. Concentration game
- 23. Connect new learning to previously mastered concepts
- 24. Cooperative Learning Structures
- 25. Create a "risk-free" learning environment in which mistakes are invited
- 26. Daily check-in with student
- 27. Develop behavioral contract
- 28. Develop classroom rules ("Development of Classroom Rules")
- 29. Display exemplary student work (classroom, hallway, etc.)
- 30. Earlier bedtime
- 31. Eat breakfast at school
- 32. Encourage student to ask for help when needed
- 33. Encourage student to make friends
- 34. Extra P.E.
- 35. Follow-up on parent's request to transfer student
- 36. Give leadership responsibilities
- 37. Give student important jobs
- 38. Give student opportunities to show work that he/she is proud of
- 39. Spend time with student at recess
- 40. Two-minute intervention process (Love and Logic)
- 41. Have a peer model appropriate behavior
- 42. Help parent/caregiver set up home reward/management system
- 43. Help student to identify what he/she is feeling
- 44. Home visit
- 45. Home/School Communication Book
- 46. Ignore negative behavior, if possible
- 47. Immediately recognize positive behaviors
- 48. Increased parent/caregiver attention at home
- 49. Introduce student to School Resource Officer (SRO) for mentoring
- 50. Lunch time with Principal
- 51. Match learning tasks with the student's learning style strengths
- 52. Model positive thinking and attribution statements
- 53. Model, teach and reinforce anger control strategies

- 54. Move student's seat (preferential seating)
- 55. Non-Verbal Signals Between Teacher and Student
- 56. Offer student limited choices
- 57. Organize playground activities to reduce fighting/inappropriate behavior
- 58. Pair student with older or younger student for structured academic activity, with emphasis on social skills
- 59. Parent/caregiver will call teacher weekly
- 60. Parent/caregiver will visit or spend time in classroom
- 61. Post rules in the classroom and review them
- 62. Praise other students for appropriate behavior
- 63. Present tasks that are slightly challenging and worth doing
- 64. Provide assignments that match student's instructional level
- 65. Provide student frequent breaks for sensory de-escalation, relaxation or small-talk
- 66. Provide student time for physical activities/movement
- 67. Reduce aggressive behavior at home
- 68. Refer to conflict manager training
- 69. Refer to mentor program
- 70. Refer to school sports program
- 71. Refer/provide school or district-based counseling for student (Connect Center, YFRC/Healthy Start)
- 72. Rehearse expected behavior
- 73. Reinforcers in the classroom/home
- 74. Relaxation techniques
- 75. Remind child to use words, not aggression
- 76. Role-play social interactions
- 77. Self-Esteem Building Techniques
- 78. Showcase student strengths in group learning situations
- 79. Survey/interview student to determine interests
- 80. Teach student how to set short-term daily goals
- 81. Teach student self-monitoring/self-management
- 82. Teach student self-talk strategies
- 83. Teach the link between effort and outcomes
- 84. Use classroom-wide anger management strategies
- 85. Use game formats to teach needed information
- 86. Use high-interest activities
- 87. Use music to quiet the class during independent work activities
- 88. Use visual cues to signal recognition of negative behaviors and reinforcement of positive behaviors
- 89. Utilization of site-team support (e.g., principal, teacher, psychologist, counselor, social worker, student advisor, resource specialist)

Instructional Strategies and Modifications

- 1. Academic contract
- 2. Active Note Taking
- 3. Allow previewing of content, concepts and vocabulary
- 4. Allow student to have sample or practice tests
- 5. Arrange transportation for attendance at after-school program
- 6. Ask parent/caregiver to structure study time (give them information about long-term assignments)
- 7. Ask student to repeat directions before beginning tasks

- 8. Assess/determine student's instructional level
- 9. Assignment notebook
- 10. Check student's work frequently to determine level of understanding
- 11. Collect homework daily instead of weekly
- 12. Don't collect homework
- 13. Communicate with after-school program staff (e.g., re: homework help)
- 14. Communicate with last year's teacher
- 15. Complete documentation for a 504 plan
- 16. Connect student with tutoring
- 17. Content-Area Logs (reading log, literature log, math journal/log, science log, social science research log)
- 18. Create a blank book for the student to fill in ("A Book About Me")
- 19. Cue/maintain eye contact with student when giving directions
- 20. Direct Instruction
- 21. Give student immediate feedback (make sure assignments are started correctly)
- 22. Give student options for presentation (written/oral or illustration/model)
- 23. Graphic Organizers
- 24. Help parents/caregivers to learn reading strategies
- 25. Homework checklist or folder
- 26. Intersperse brief periods of instruction with supervised practice
- 27. Manipulative and Visual Prompts
- 28. Move child's seat (preferential seating)
- 29. Parent/caregiver will ask another family member to give child homework help
- 30. Parent/caregiver will give more homework help
- 31. Parent/caregiver will pick up homework when student is absent
- 32. Principal will check-in with student daily regarding classwork
- 33. Provide frequent feedback and praise
- 34. Provide opportunity for extra practice before tests
- 35. Provide printed copy of boardwork/notes
- 36. Provide study guides/questions
- 37. Questions First
- 38. Quick Write
- 39. Read aloud to parent/caregiver at home
- 40. Reduce classroom distractions and noise
- 41. Review test scores from past 3 years and utilize in instructional planning
- 42. Send home extra work (with arranged parent follow through)
- 43. Send home unfinished classwork (with arranged parent follow through)
- 44. Simplify instructions/directions (short, specific, direct)
- 45. Student will teach/tutor/read to a peer or younger child (e.g., "Big Buddies/Little Budddies")
- 46. Supply student with samples of work expected
- 47. Teach notetaking
- 48. Teach student problem-solving skills
- 49. Tutor (Peer, Cross-age, Agency, Parent, etc.)
- 50. Use focused question in reviewing student work ("Focused Question")
- 51. Use techniques of repetition, review and summarization
- 52. Use visuals to motivate reading and support understanding of concepts
- 53. Utilization of site-team support (e.g., counselor, elementary advisor, OT/PT specialist, principal, psychologist, resource specialist, speech/language specialist)
- 54. Work with student 1:1 or in small group
- 55. Write assignments on board

Health Strategies

- 1. Asthma class
- 2. Child Abuse Reporting
- 3. Collaborate with Primary Medical Provider
- 4. Dental exam/dental emergencies
- 5. Fact Sheets on Communicable Diseases and School Age Illnesses
- 6. Hearing screening/exam
- 7. Assist with/teach hygiene
- 8. Make sure child wears glasses
- 9. Medication Administration
- 10. Obtain glasses for student
- 11. Refer to School Nurse
- 12. Vision screening/exam

Motor Skills Strategies

- 1. Color in small areas
- 2. Collaboration with outside sources
- 3. Encourage drawing to develop muscles
- 4. Have student sit in an appropriate size chair for 90-90-90 posture
- 5. Practice drawing & coloring in simple shapes
- 6. Provide parent/caregiver lists of home activities for student
- 7. Tracing: write model in pen/pencil, give student felt pen to trace letters
- 8. Make a large dot to cue student where to start when tracing letters
- 9. Encourage student to use finger movements (instead of arm movements) while coloring or writing
- 10. Support wrist and elbow on table
- 11. Use hand over hand to guide movement; gradually fade out as student learns motions
- 12. Utilization of site-team support

Oral Language Strategies

- 1. Allow all students time for oral expression,
- 2. Deliver oral reports/presentations using high or low-tech augmentative communication device
- 3. Point to pictures to cue or illicit speech from student or communication device
- 4. Add gestures or agreed upon visual cues
- 5. Ask some yes/no questions
- 6. Give student choices for answers
- 7. Give student opportunity to preview questions prior to activity
- 8. Present student with two answers and let child choose one
- 9. Teacher asks student a direct question comes back for answer
- 10. Teacher or peer models turn taking
- 11. Utilize choral speech, plays, role modeling
- 12. 1. Establish and maintain eye contact
- 13. Peer or teacher reads student's passage during round robin
- 14. Peers or teacher reads student's work out loud
- 15. Reinforce classroom etiquette (e.g.: raising hand)
- 16. Adjust volume, tone, phrasing & pace of speaking for various situations/audiences
- 17. 4. Student writes and/or records simplified versions of text
- 18. 6. Use eye contact, posture and gesture to engage audience

Math Strategies

- 1. Do informal assessment of student's math skills
- 2. Get extra help with math word problems (from peer, volunteer, etc.)
- 3. Send home math flash cards
- 4. Study math facts at home
- 5. Teach student to make estimates and choose appropriate strategies
- 6. Use hands-on manipulatives
- 7. Ask student to think out loud as they work through math problem

- 8. Allow/encourage student to use times tables
- 9. Create & illustrate personal word problems relevant to students' lives
- 10. Create classroom situations where kids need to use fractions (e.g., dividing treats for a party or art materials for a project)
- 11. Flash cards
- 12. Have students find examples of fractions used in real life and organize by categories on a chart
- 13. Have students verbalize the problem step by step to make sure s/he understands each stage
- 14. Permit student to work out the problem on scrap paper
- 15. Provide steps necessary to complete problems on tape or study sheet
- 16. Reduce number of problems (shorten assignments)
- 17. Simplify patterns (e.g., ABAB instead of ABBCD)
- 18. Touch Math program
- 19. Use calculators instead of performing paper and pencil steps
- 20. Use manipulatives such as money, clocks
- 21. Counting objects (e.g., inventory office supplies, lunch count, classroom jobs that require counting)
- 22. Identify numbers on spinner or dice
- 23. Weighing and measuring related to cooking
- 24. Connect math concepts to careers or personal life
- 25. Create and play math board games
- 26. Creating math sheets for other students
- 27. Peer Tutoring
- 28. Research mathematicians and/or musicians
- 29. Write in math journals

Math Adaptations - Physical Assistance

- 1. Adapted materials (e.g., enlarged calculators, pencils)
- 2. Assist student with proper alignment of problems (e.g., graph paper)
- 3. Color code for different operations (e.g., red for addition problems)
- 4. Adapted text books (e.g., cut concepts into smaller steps than regular textbooks provide

Reading Strategies

- 1. Pre-teach vocabulary
- 2. Accept some homework papers typed or dictated by student
- 3. Brainstorming
- 4. Choral Reading
- 5. Class illustrates a big book ("Creating Your Own Big Book")
- 6. Collaborate with Reading Recovery Teacher
- 7. Family will borrow books from library in student's primary language
- 8. Leveled reading groups
- 9. Literature Study Circles
- 10. Matching Pictures
- 11. Model the thinking processes a good reader engages in when reading ("Think Aloud")
- 12. Parent/caregiver will have child cut out pictures that start with a chosen letter ("Letters And Pictures")
- 13. Parent/caregiver will write letters to student ("Family Letters")
- 14. Pocket Chart Reading W/ Predictable Texts

- 15. Poetry In the Classroom
- 16. Provide partial outlines of chapters, study guides, and testing outlines
- 17. Read & Retell
- 18. Reciprocal Reading
- 19. Reciprocal Teaching
- 20. Segment sentences on flash cards
- 21. Send home books
- 22. Send home word games
- 23. Shared Reading across Genre of texts
- 24. Shared Reading of Poetry & Song
- 25. Shared Reading With Predictable Texts
- 26. Sight-Word Bingo
- 27. Simplify complex directions
- 28. Sing, Speak, Spell
- 29. Small group guided reading
- 30. SQ3R (Survey, Question, Read, Recite & Review)
- 31. Story Sequencing for Reading
- 32. Storyboard
- 33. Student creates a poetry word bank
- 34. Student fills in a (student or teacher-created) book for sounds or for reference
- 35. Student identifies number of pages to be read and uses post-its ...
- 36. Student prepares a grocery list; looks for environmental print ("A Shopping Trip")
- 37. Student will go to library with teacher
- 38. Using The Newspaper or magazines
- 39. Word Making
- 40. Word Necklaces
- 41. Word Walls
- 42. Color code textbook, highlighting important sentences, phrases, vocabulary
- 43. Create interest for material to be read by bringing in items that will stimulate discussion about a topic
- 44. Do not force student to read orally; encourage peer tutoring and have pairs take turns reading together orally to group
- 45. Do not require lengthy outside reading assignments
- 46. Have student be responsible for one main idea
- 47. Have student draw a picture
- 48. Have student fill in the blanks
- 49. Have student hold prop that is related to story (e.g., puppet)
- 50. Have student match text to pictures
- 51. Provide photocopies of teacher's notes
- 52. Provide supplementary materials that student can read
- 53. Reduce workload
- 54. Review words periodically
- 55. Substitute symbols for written text
- 56. Use books on tape for comprehension practice
- 57. Use character web
- 58. Use collage
- 59. Use graphic organizer
- 60. Use images on digital camera/projector
- 61. Use modified text or assign a smaller portion

- 62. Use music-related stories
- 63. Use peer or community volunteer tutors
- 64. Use pictures/symbols
- 65. Use props (e.g., puppet, magnets on cookie sheet, felt board
- 66. Use small group settings or pairs and assign various paragraphs; put a good average reader with a less able reader; encourage discussion of material read and sharing to the whole class
- 67. Use storyboard sequencing
- 68. Use video or film strips to supplement text
- 69. Categorize
- 70. Sequence chunks of text
- 71. Demonstrate appropriate listening behavior
- 72. Get books, hand out and put away
- 73. Hold book in front of class for teacher
- 74. Identify sight words, pictures, etc.
- 75. Pointing to picture related to story to test comprehension
- 76. Practice letter recognition
- 77. Practice writing or copying words on topic
- 78. Retell story to younger kids
- 79. Turning the page appropriately at correct time

- 80. Find vocabulary words in the newspaper or magazine
- 81. Have student connect stories to background knowledge or experience
- 82. Have student create story map
- 83. Have student create story timelines
- 84. Read other books by the same author
- 85. Read the story to students who cannot read

Reading Adaptations - Physical Assistance

- 1. Enlarge print
- 2. Have student use bookmarks for tracking
- 3. Use augmentative communication devices
- 4. Use book stand
- 5. Use books on tape
- 6. Use Braille
- 7. Use computers

Writing Strategies

- 1. ABC Wall Chart or Class Book
- 2. Author's Chair
- 3. Buddy Journals
- 4. Content Area Logs
- 5. Copying
- 6. Creating Texts for Wordless Books
- 7. Response Journal
- 8. Guided Writing Activities
- 9. Interactive Journals
- 10. Interactive Writing
- 11. Letter Writing
- 12. Metacognitive Journal
- 13. Modeled Writing Aloud
- 14. Patterned Writing with Predictable Text
- 15. Personal Dictionaries
- 16. Plan, Do and Review
- 17. Practice writing daily
- 18. Real-Life Writing Activities
- 19. Student writes letters for company freebies
- 20. Story Sequencing for Writing
- 21. Storyboarding
- 22. Student will write in cursive all the time
- 23. Student will write in daily home journal
- 24. Writer's Workshop
- 25. Complete one part of assignment
- 26. Create and use personal dictionary

- 27. Provide sentence or paragraph starters
- 28. Shorten assignment
- 29. Trace or copy dictated answers
- 30. Utilize Spelling Styles and Vocabulary Attributes charts
- 31. Use editing checklist (caps, periods, commas, etc.)
- 32. Use graphic organizers
- 33. Use stamps
- 34. Use word bank
- 35. Match pictures to words
- 36. Practice copying
- 37. Use communication device
- 38. Use storyboard
- 39. Write down key words (i.e., personal vocabulary list)
- 40. Write name, heading and date on top of paper
- 41. Incorporate features such as italics, footnotes and bibliography into writing
- 42. Peer uses rubric to check work
- 43. Use dictionary or spell check tools to edit work
- 44. Write from a peer's dictation

Writing Adaptations - Physical Assistance

- 1. Adapted keyboard
- 2. Adaptive writing materials (e.g., pencil grip, larger felt pen)
- 3. Computer/typing on keyboard
- 4. Dictate to a peer
- 5. Give student oral examinations and quizzes
- 6. Substitute oral reports/projects for writing
- 7. Tape paper to desk
- 8. Use adaptive paper (e.g., lines, larger lines, lined columns)
- 9. Use assistive technology device that allows student to orally dictate writing and/or with voice output
- 10. Use physical and verbal prompts for placement of fingers on pencil and wrist on table

- 11. Use stencils
- 12. Use tape recorder to dictate
- 13. Write on a vertical/slanted surface (e.g., chalkboard)
- 14. Write on top of a textured surface (e.g., sandpaper)