## Modifications for the Twice Exceptional Student



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meet regularly with special education staff
meet often with student
provide acceptable ways for students to express their creativity
encourage development and sharing of special interests
avoid the pressure of time constraints
allow provisions for movement - have the student hand out papers, run errands etc.
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Organizational Strategies
develop and maintain a regular school home communication system
check student assignment notebook daily-before and after school
help student organize notebook or provide a folder to organize work
help student set time limits for assignment completion, structure is important
help set up time lines for completion of long assignments
question student to help focus on important information
help highlight main concepts in book/worksheets/and other info
give parents extra information and updates on long-term assignments
check to see that daily assignments are completed
Presentation Strategies
communicate visually and orally, and repeat as needed
provide photocopies of teacher and student notes
use peer tutors
make activity and assignment directions clear and concise
repeat instructions
provide instruction in short units
use verbal clues
use verbal cities cue student regularly by asking questions, and calling their name
give extra think time
use memory devices to help student remember facts and concepts
let the student use manipulatives

Curriculum Strategies
provide opportunity for extra drill before tests
provide study guides and/or test outlines in advance
encourage good quality of work, and not speed
make sure assignments are started correctly
use contracts
use graphic organizers
tasks broken into components
extended time
reduce amount of homework, especially reading assignments
reading assignments on audio / video
student can dictate rather than write assignments
allow choice between alternate assignments
underline or highlight words / concepts
increase space on paper for figuring math problems; use of graph paper
allow for print or cursive
use of color film or points when reading
encourage student to ask for assistance when needed
Testing modifications
take the test in the regular classroom or
take the test in an alternative setting
take a modified test if needed
take an open book/note test
allow alternate ways to demonstrate knowledge (oral, artwork, projects, role plays)
assist student with reading directions and questions on the test
change the number of assessments
change the format of assessments
change the length of assessments
allow extended time
allow student to use technology (calculator, computer, spell checker)
Grading Strategies
pass / fail option
same as other students except for
grade on a percentage of work correct
no penalty for spelling or grammatical errors
grade only on the specific skill being learned
credit for oral participation in class