

Instruction

Access to Instructional Materials

The CREC Council is committed to providing access to print instructional materials and related printed core materials that are written and published primarily for use in elementary and secondary school instruction, including textbooks, in accessible media, free of charge, to blind or other persons with print disabilities attending CREC schools. In accordance with the National Instructional Materials Accessibility Standard (NIMAS), CREC will coordinate with the National Instructional Material Access Center (NIMAC) to provide print instructional materials for blind and other persons with print disabilities in a timely manner as required in IDEA regulations and defined by the State Education Agency (SEA).

CREC staff responsible for planning and implementing the Individualized Education Program (IEP) for students who are blind or have print disabilities shall ensure that access to print instructional materials have been considered by the Planning and Placement Team (PPT) and appropriate coordination with the NIMAC occurs.

CREC will ensure that all contracts or purchase orders with publishers require that the publisher either prepare and submit to the NIMAC, an electronic file in accordance with the NIMAS standard or allow CREC to purchase instructional materials from the publisher that are produced in, or may be rendered in, accessible specialized formats.

Legal Reference:

20 U.S.C. §1474(e)
20 U.S.C. §1412(a)(23)
20 U.S.C. §1413(a)(6)
C.F.R. §300.172