

What are Modifications?

Modifications are changes to the actual curriculum. In other words, modifications are changes in *what* your child is taught and are based on your child's special strengths and abilities.

Modifications may be minimal or very complex depending on the student's performance and must be clearly outlined in the IEP. For example:

- Your child may be excused from certain parts of the curriculum (For example, your child could be pulled out of PE and may have Sensory Integration activities instead; if your child is deaf blind, they may leave singing and participate in coactive movement instead; or your child may attend only three days of a five day program and be excused from specific learning).
- Your child may be taught or tested at a lower grade level.
- Your child may be included in the same activity, but with individualized expectations and materials.
- In some cases children in out of district or substantially separate placements are taught a curriculum significantly different from those children in their LEA (Local Educational Agency) preschool or integrated program.