

Please see the information below from the Community College of Denver (CCD) Accessibility Center and the College Pathways office about accommodations for concurrent enrollment students with high school IEPs or 504 plans. We know that there can be confusion about accommodations for students who take college classes through CCD while they are still high school. We hope this reference page provides you with some guidance.

Students in CCD concurrent enrollment classes are considered college students, even when the classes occur on the high school campus. Therefore, the accommodations that they may be offered must be in line with college policies, not the high school policies they may be used to. By law, accommodations in college are different from what is allowed in high school. All students in a college class are expected to meet the essential learning objectives for that class. One general way to think about this is that a variety of **accommodations** are allowed in college, but **modifications** to the curriculum, assignments, and tests which may be allowed in high school are not. While CCD determines accommodations on a case-by-case basis, the following are examples of accommodations that are typically approved as well as modifications to curriculum that may impact the essential learning objectives of a course that are typically not approved for a college class.

Common accommodations approved in college	Modifications <u>not</u> approved in college
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Extended time on tests (either x 1.5 or 2.0 time)- Distraction-reduced testing location- Use of a reader for a test - verbatim only- Prioritized seating, depending on student needs- Copies of class notes taken by a peer- Instructor's notes and/or PowerPoint slides sent electronically to the student ahead of the class	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Open note testing- Reduced options on multiple choice tests- Reduced or shortened assignments- Fewer problem sets for homework- Course materials modified to reading level

If instructors have students who require more support than the common college accommodations listed above, they should first contact the CCD Accessibility Center at 303-556-3300 and leave a message for the Director indicating the need for a consultation. Then the student will need to make an appointment by calling the CCD Accessibility Center. Students will need to bring any official documentation stating the diagnosis, such as an IEP, with them to the appointment. If the student is approved for additional accommodations through CCD, the student will provide the instructor a letter from the CCD Accessibility Center that specifies which accommodations to provide. Please do not assume that a high school IEP or 504 plan meets college approved accommodations in college concurrent enrollment classes.

The CCD Accessibility Center recognizes that both students and faculty may need assistance in understanding what for many is a new system of providing accommodations for students with disabilities. Please contact us about questions or concerns or if you would like to discuss a particular student or accommodation for your college classes. We are also available to discuss plans for students coming to CCD after they graduate from high school to provide a smooth transition.