Understanding South Carolina State Assessment Accessibility Supports

Universal Supports

available to all students in order to address individual accessibility needs

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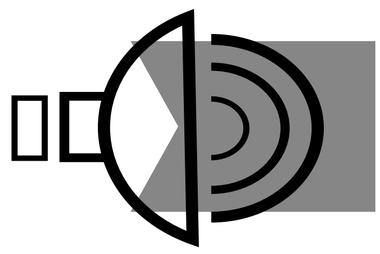
available to all students

Audio Aids



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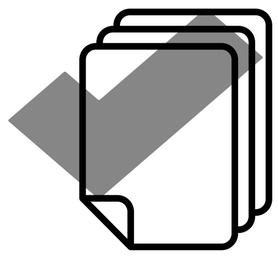

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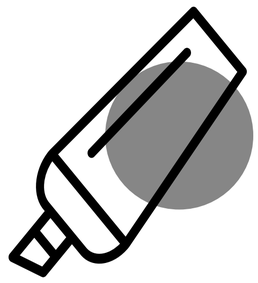
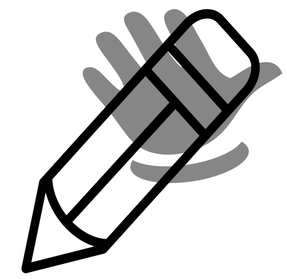


Low Vision Aids



Ergonomic/Corrective Writing Tools



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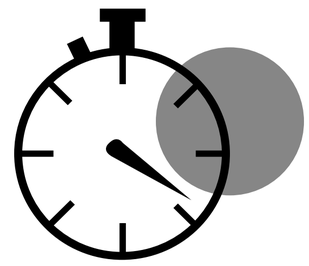

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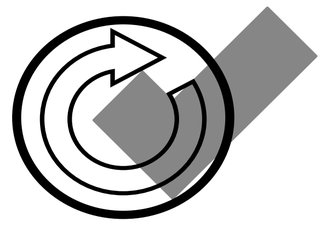

Scratch Paper



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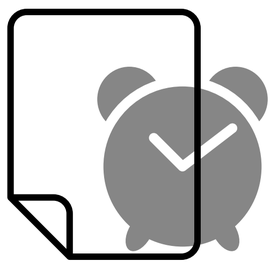
available to students with an Individualized Education Program(IEP) or Section 504 Plan

Accommodations

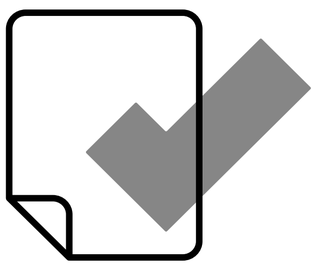
Defined for South Carolina state assessments as a change in the testing environment, procedures, or presentation to a test that does not alter what the test measures or the comparability of scores.

Customized Materials



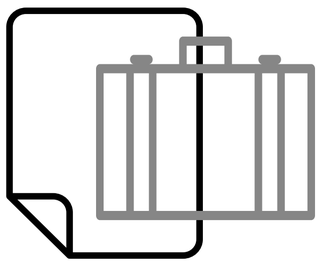
Available for students who require Braille and Large print materials.

Presentation



Available for students who require the assessment presented using oral administration, signed administration, or paper/pencil administration.

Response Options



Available for students who require a different way to respond to test items.

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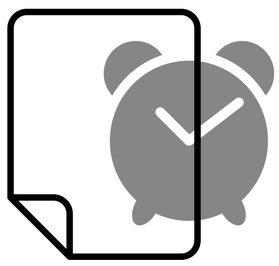
Accommodations

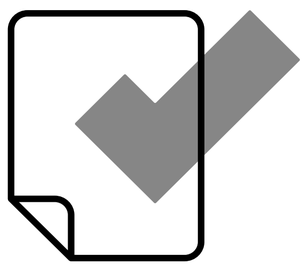
The purpose is to enable students to participate in an assessment in a way that allows for equitable access to the assessment.

Scheduling



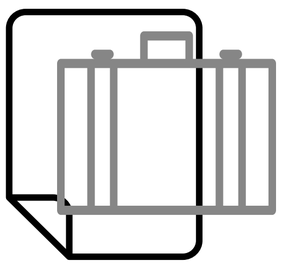
Available to students who require an adaptation to the testing schedule.

Setting



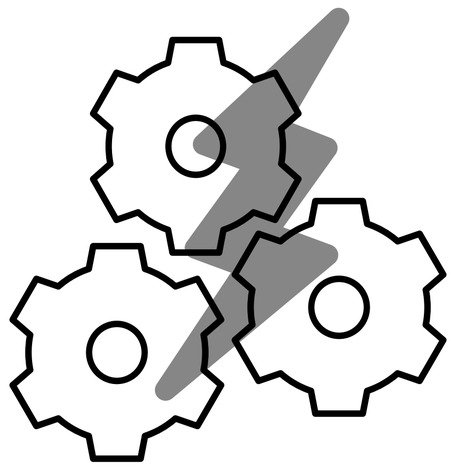
Available to students who require a setting appropriate to their individual needs.

Supplemental Materials



Available to students who require materials and devices for assessment.

Considerations for Accessibility Support



Accommodations are...

adaptations to test format or administration that maintain the same construct and produce comparable results



Accommodations must...

be familiar to the student and be utilized routinely in classroom instruction and/or assessment

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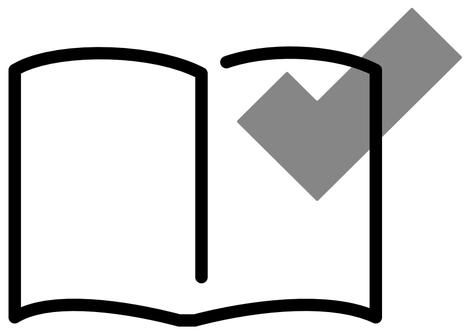
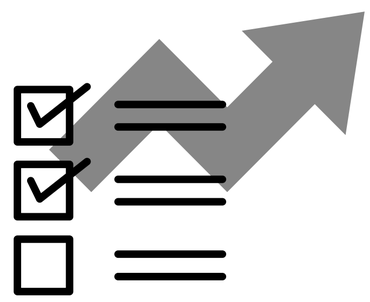


Universal Supports are...

available to all students in order to address individual accessibility needs



Universal Supports must...

reinforce the student's ability to demonstrate their knowledge and skills through providing practice using the universal supports as appropriate

South Carolina Assessments of State Standards

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SC READY

South Carolina College- and Career-Ready Assessment

- For Students in grades three through eight
- Assesses SC State Standards in English/language Arts and mathematics

EOCEP

End-of-Course Examination Program

- Administered to all public school students by the third year of high school
- Assesses State Standards in English/language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies
- Students earning a high school diploma, scores count 20 percent of final grade

SCPASS

South Carolina Palmetto Assessment of State Standards

- Assesses Science Standards in grades four, six, and eight
- Assesses Social Studies Standards in grades five and seven

SC-ALT

South Carolina Alternate Assessment

- Administered to students who meet the participation criteria as determined by their IEP team
- Assesses English/language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies on Alternate Achievement Standards (AA-AAS)