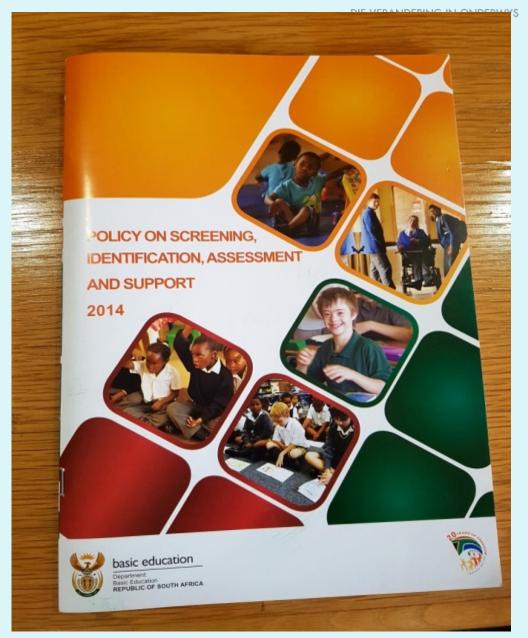
WEBINAR INCLUSIVE EDUCATION

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The practical implementation of SIAS in the classroom

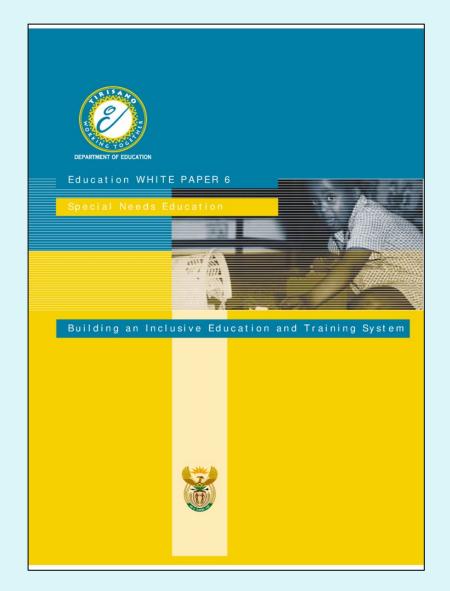




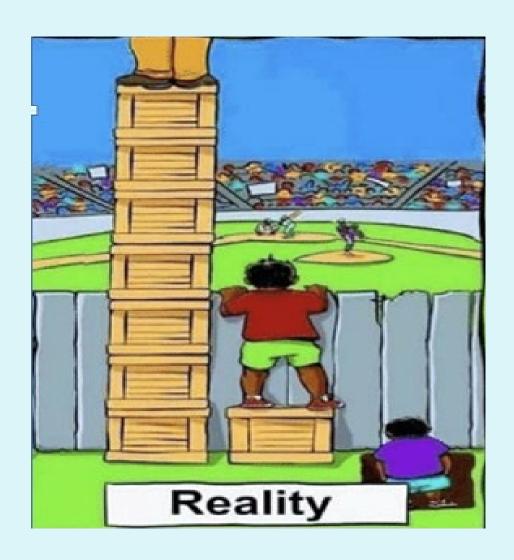


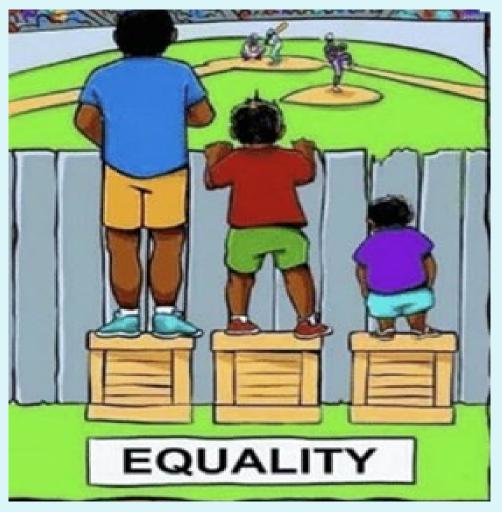
What is Inclusive Education?

- White paper 6
- Building an inclusive education and training system
- Inclusive education is educating **ALL students** in **age-appropriate** general education classes in their **neighbourhood** schools.
- There should be a respectful school culture where everybody feels welcome
- Diversity needs to be accommodated through EQUITY.



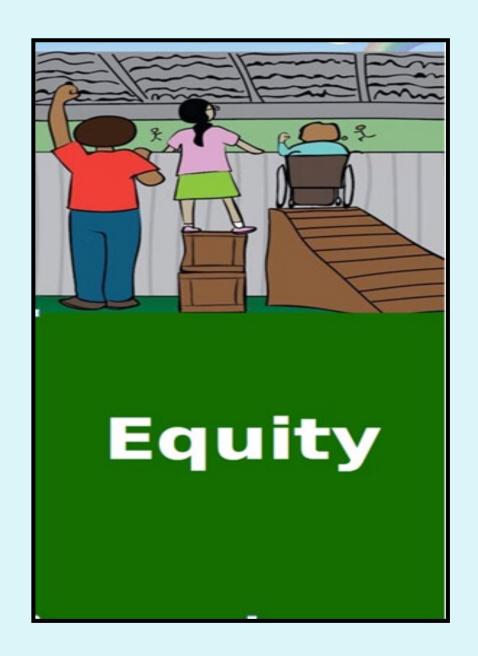










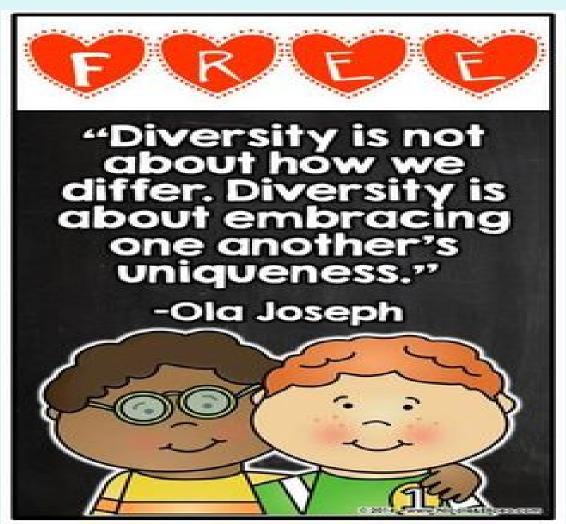


Different types of supports are provided to make it possible for all learners to have equal access to education. They are being treated equitably, according to their individual needs.



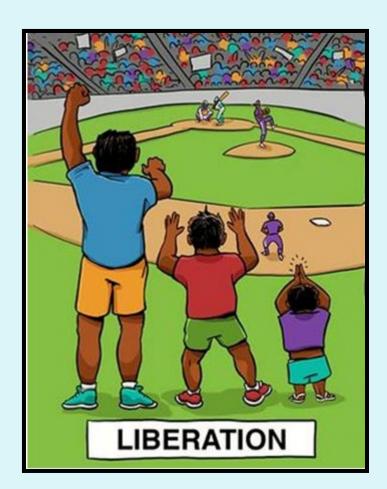
Principles of Inclusive Education?

- Celebrates diversity: Cultures, races, religions, customs, beliefs, languages, sexual orientation, minority groups, physical attributes, interests
- Recognizes potential
- Increases participation
- Reducing and overcoming barriers
- Removing stigmatization and labelling
- High quality instruction, interventions and supports and reasonable accommodation









GOAL:

The inequality / systemic barrier has been dealt with/removed.





SIAS is the vehicle to address the following barriers which prevent access to learning and development

- Systemic barriers (overcrowded classrooms, lack of LTSM, exclusionary policies, inflexible curriculum practices, learning styles and multiple intelligences)
- Societal barriers (Socio-economic circumstances, safety and security, domestic violence, HIV/AIDS, substance abuse)
- Pedagogical barriers (LOLT, intolerant attitudes, inappropriate teaching methodologies and assessment procedures
- Intrinsic barriers (behavioural problems, psychosocial and emotional problems, cognitive and sensory abilities, barriers to learning and physical disabilities)





LEARNER PROFILE

GRADES R – 12 CONFIDENTIAL

- This is a legal document and information may not be removed. It must be made available by the principal of the school from which the learner has been transferred once the transfer document has been issued, to the principal of the school to which the learner is being moved. It should be posted or personally and officially handed over to the receiving principal and <u>not</u> given to the learner's parents/guardian (of the learner).
- This profile must be completed in print at least annually by the register teacher. No Tippex may be used.
- When information is included in the area marked by an asterisk (*), the teacher should complete the Support Needs Assessment Form of the Strategy on Screening, Identification, Assessment and Support (SIAS).

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| ID number (birth cert | tificate) | | | | | | | | Sex (M/F) | | |
| Number of children i | n househol | ld or family | | | | | | | | • | |
| Position in family (In | dicate with | (X) | Only child | Fir | st child | | Secon | d child | Third child | Fourth child | Fifth / more |
| Religion | African | Bahai | Buddist | Christian | Hindu | Is | slam | Jewish | Other: | | |
| * Disability (if any) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| * Type of social gra | nt (e.g. fo | ster care, c | are depende | ency grant, | child-suppo | ort gr | rant, etc |) | | | |

MEDICAL INFORMATION (Please use a PENCIL and update when there is change, except for allergies)

| Family doctor/Clinic | | | Contact no | |
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| Allergies (indicate in RED) | | | Chronic illness | |
| Name of Medical Aid | | | Medical Aid no. | |
| Name of principal member (Medical Aid) | | • | | , |
| Contact person (not parent or guardian) in o | ase of emergency | Contact | no | |

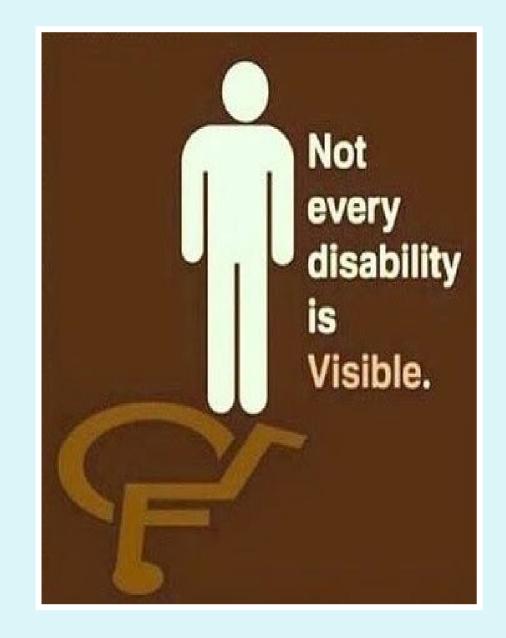


What must be included in the Learner Profile?

- Admissions form
- Copy: Birth certificate
- Copy: Road to health card
- Transfer documents
- Indemnity forms
- Communication from parents (Letters, emails, SMS's, WhatsApps)
- Absenteeism letters
- Medical reports
- Evidence of support services
- Intervention reports
- Report cards
- Supports needs (SIAS Docs)

Screen: learners for vulnerability to learning and developmental barriers and possible school drop out Use baseline assessment, learner profiles, road to health card, interviews with parents and former teachers, report cards

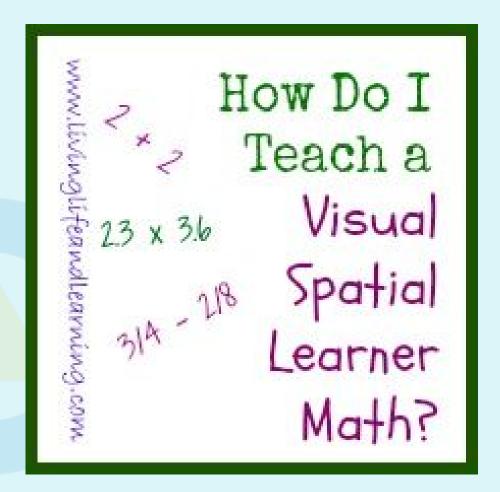
Identify barriers to learning and development. Complete **SNA 1 form**. Record observations and challenges





Assess the support needs: What, who, how often?

Support to meet these needs by planned interventions, differentiation, changing teaching styles and classroom layout, varying pace of teaching, adapting the curriculum, differentiated assessment and behaviour management strategies, accommodations. Complete ISP (plan of action) and refer to SBST who will complete the SNA2 in consultation with teacher if it becomes necessary



SUPPORT NEEDS ASSESSMENT (SNA 1 & 2)

(School-Level Intervention)

Both SNA 1 and 2 must be completed at school level

A Learner Profile, SNA 1 and SNA 2 will be required when support is requested from the District-based Support Team (DBST).

SNA 1: ASSESSMENT AND INTERVENTION BY TEACHER

- To be completed by the class teacher and/or subject teachers if the learner is taught by more than one teacher.
- To be completed if the Learner Profile or Screening Report or teacher observation or parent interview shows that a learner has additional support needs.
- Captures information that will be needed when support is requested from the Schoolbased Support Team (SBST) by the teacher concerned.

1. AREAS OF CONCERN

| Describe your co | ncern abo | out the lear | ner. | | | | | |
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| Complete the | followin | g table w | ith regard | d to the I | earner's | scholastic | profile (i | nformation |
| extracted from | Learner P | rofile) | | | | | | |
| YEAR | | | | | | | | |



- Areas of concern
- Strengths and needs of learner (Communication, Learning, Behaviour and social competence, Classroom and school, Family/Home/ Community)
- Teacher interventions (Curriculum, , learning environment, physical environment, support needed from SBST)
- Consultations with parents and views expressed by parents

SNA 2: ASSESSMENT AND INTERVENTION BY SCHOOL-BASED SUPPORT TEAM (SBST)

- To be completed by the SBST in consultation with the teacher
- To be completed when requesting support from the DBST by the school

1. REVIEW

SBST reviews the information provided by the teacher: Section 1, supporting documents, verbal reporting.

1.1 Does the SBST agree with the teacher's identification of the learner's barrier(s) to learning, strengths and needs/challenges? If not, provide comments:

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| 1.2 | Does not, p | the S provide | BST e cor | agree with the teacher's support to deal with the barrier(s) to learning? If mments or suggest alternative support: |
| YES | | NO | | Comments: |
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- 1. Review
- 2. Summary of identified barriers
- 1. Completion of ISP

3. INDIVIDUAL SUPPORT PLAN (COMPLETED BY CLASS TEACHER AND SBST)

List the area(s) in which the support needs to be provided: Communication; Learning; Behaviour and social competence; Health, Wellness and personal care; Classroom and school; Family, home and community; Teacher development/training, etc. (See SNA1)

| Area(s) in | Target to | Strategy of | Responsible | | Review date | |
|--|-------------------------|---|-------------|---------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| which support is needed | be achieved | intervention (If the learner needs concessions, or is an immigrant who needs exemptions, use Annexure B If a medical condition must be investigated by a medical or other specialist, use Annexure D) | person | | (to assess achievement of the target) | made in achieving target(s) |
| E.g. Behaviour and social competence | Stop bullying behaviour | Assign a mentor teacher to support learner Raise awareness during assembly Review school conduct policy Call in the parent/legal caregivers | Principal | Within a week | 15 April 20 | |
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MEET: VIJAY



Vijay changes schools in the middle of the year. He is from a middle income stable family with 2 working parents. He appears to be secure with a good self-esteem and social skills. His Gr 1 report cards indicate average academic performance.

Is Vijay at risk?

During the first term at his new school the maths teacher discovers that he struggles with maths, specifically reversing 6/9 and working at a slightly lower level than his peers.

Are there any concerns? Does he have additional support needs? After a discussion with Vijay and his parents, the teacher puts in place a programme in class, as well as suggestions of how his parents can support him at home. Within two weeks he has caught up with his peers. Was the support successful or not?

Level of support: Low

SNA 1 – NB to also complete sections on the strengths, behaviour and social competence, family and home situation as these might change in the future (loss of parent, divorce, negative peer influences) and the references would help to get full picture if the learner's behaviour or academic performance changes

INDIVIDUAL SUPPORT PLAN: VIJAY

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| Area(s) in which support is needed | Target to be achieved | Strategy of intervention (If the learner needs concessions, or is an immigrant who needs exemptions, use Annexure B If a medical condition must be investigated by a medical or other specialist, use Annexure D) | | Time frame | Review date (to assess achieve ment of the target) | Comment on progress made in achieving target(s) |
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| Reversals 6 / 9 | Write numbers correctly | Highlight 6/9 in different colours and put them on wall Use flash cards to show difference Use VAKT (Visual, auditory, Kineasthetic and Touch). Learner must see, hear, touch the number John can trace numbers in the sand Parents commit: Vijay will use play dough/shaving cream at home to make/trace numbers | Teacher and parents | Within 2 weeks | 30 April 2020 | After 2 weeks of practice John Can differentiate between 6/9 |



MEET: JEAN



The paper trail/forms are NB – if Jean's eyes deteriorate this will be the documents to support an application for a possible accommodation at a later stage in her school career

Jean has been at school for 5 years and has never needed support. Her new English teacher notices at the beginning of the new year that she often copies words incorrectly from the board but her close up reading is fine. (SNA 1) She moves Jean to the front of the class and suggests that she visits the clinic for an eye test. Are there any concerns? The matter is discussed with the Jean and her parents. A month goes by and Jean's parents have not taken her to the Clinic for an eye test. She still struggles to see on the board. Was the support suggested successful? The teacher implements additional interventions and completes an ISP. In addition she requests the help of the SBST who makes an appointment at the local clinic and accompanies Jean there. Jean is diagnosed as needing glasses.

Health and disability assessment form (Section on VISION to be completed by health professional). Jean no longer has difficulties with her long distance vision.

Support successful.

If deterioration of the eyes continues and special support is necessaryplacement at school for visually impaired (Form DBE 123a to be completed by parents)

Level of support: Low to moderate

ANNEXURE D

FORM DBE 126: HEALTH AND DISABILITY ASSESSMENT FORM

A. INSTRUCTIONS TO HEALTH-CARE PROFESSIONAL WHO IS ASSESSING THE LEARNER

- This form is be completed by the **Health Professional** for learners who experience medical/physical/neurological/sensory/cognitive/psychological and emotional barriers to learning.
- The learner is referred to a health professional by the School-based Support Team (SBST) and/or the District-based Support Team (DBST) for further assessment to determine the nature of the disability/health condition.

PART A: PROCEDURE

- Assess the learner in terms of the specific barrier(s) that the learner has been referred for
- Make recommendations for further interventions required
- Provide advice on support and adjustments required to assist the school to support and make reasonable accommodation for the learner.

PART B: LEARNER AND PRACTITIONER INFORMATION

Complete Part B which contains personal information about the child, and contact details of the health professional.

PART C: DIAGNOSTIC SECTION

Complete all sections of Part C relevant to the child in accordance with the diagnostic criteria provided

PART D: DECLARATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR INTERVENTIONS AND SUPPORT

Sign the declarations in Part D and make recommendations regarding the support to be provided.

NB. Please note that this form may not be completed by the teacher

Please write legibly

| B. LEARNER INFORMATION AND CONTACT I | DETAILS OF HEALTH-CARE PROFESSIONAL |
|---|-------------------------------------|
| NAME OF LEARNER: | DATE OF BIRTH: / / |
| PRESENT SCHOOL: | ASSESSMENT DATE: / / |
| PATIENT NUMBER: | MALE/FEMALE M/F |
| ASSESSED BY: | PROFESSION: |
| FACILITY/PRACTICE: | TELEPHONE NUMBER/S: |
| MEDICAL HISTORY OR BACKGROUND OF LEARNER/PA | TIENT: |
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To be completed by the health professional when child is referred for a medical or professional assessment:

Sections on:

behaviour

Chronic health, Mobility,
Mental disorders,
Learning disabilities,
Intellectual disabilities,
Vision, Hearing,
Communication,
Neurological disorders and

FORM DBE 120

REQUEST FOR SUPPORT FROM THE DISTRICT-BASED SUPPORT TEAM (DBST), BY SBST

- To be completed by the SBST only when requesting support from the DBST
 <u>Copies</u> of Learner Profile, SNA1 and 2 and all other relevant supporting documents must be submitted.

| Provide reasons and motivation why support is needed from | om the DBST: | |
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| State what support is needed from the DBST: | | |
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| Initials and surname of SBST Coordinator (print) | Signature | Date: |
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| PARENT/LEGAL CAREGIVER SUPPORTS REQUEST | FOR DBST ASSISTANCE | E Yes No |
| Comment: | | |
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| Initials and surname of parent/legal caregiver (print) | Signature | Date: |
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FORM DBE 121 DBST: PLAN OF ACTION IN RELATION TO THE LEARNER:



| Areas needing support (Specialist support/Curriculum and Assessment/Specialised LTSM/Training/orientation of staff) | Level of support needed (Low/Moderate/High) | (i) Use the table to rate the level of support, as well as the checklist, to describe the support needed. (ii) If a learner needs to be placed in a special school/resource centre, add Form 123a and 123b. (iii) If curriculum differentiation is needed, add Form 125. (iv) If accommodations/exemptions/adapted assessment are needed, add Form 125. | Pe (Assig | onsible rson n a case nager) |
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| E.g. Specialised LTSM | High | This foundation-phase leamer is blind and needs Orientation and Mobility as well as Braille instruction on a daily basis. Speech therapy is needed on a weekly basis to alleviate his speech impediment. The outplacement of the learner can be considered as no specialist outreach services are currently available/can be provided to him at his current school. | The SBST | coordinator |
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| | PARENT/LEGAL C | AREGIVER AGREES WITH THE DBST ACTION PLAN | Yes | No |

ANNEXURES

ANNEXURE A1

FORM DBE 123a:

REQUEST BY PARENT/LEGAL CAREGIVER FOR PLACEMENT/TRANSFER OF LEARNER TO A RESOURCE CENTRE/SPECIAL SCHOOL TO ACCESS A HIGH-LEVEL SPECIALIST SUPPORT PROGRAMME

(This section must be completed by the Parent/Legal Caregiver/Guardian)

| I,the Parent/Legal Caregiver/Guardian of |
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| (initials and surname) |
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| who is at present attending the |
| (name and surname of learner) |
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| request the Department of Education to transfer my child to |
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| (resource centre/special school/programme) |
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| I agree that the said child may remain in the identified school/programme for as long as this level of |
| support is needed. I realise that filling in this form does not guarantee placement in a Special |
| School/Resource Centre. |
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| Signature of Parent/Legal Caregiver Date |
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| Witnesses 1 |
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MEET DENNIS



When Dennis was admitted to his new school, his **SNA 1** indicated that he was very **aggressive**, **unable to control his temper** and often endangered himself and others with his impulsive **anti-social behavio**ur. There were no interventions except punitive measures. He was presented with a choice: Leave school of you own accord, or face a disciplinary hearing and run the risk of being expelled. **Are there any concerns?**

The new school decided to monitor his behaviour and keep his parents informed.

Within 2 weeks however he had pushed another learner down a flight of stairs and threatened to stab himself with a pair of scissors if he was forced to do maths. The teacher urgently requested the help of the SBST. The SBST recommended that a counsellor be involved to help the teacher to deal with the aggressive behaviour and a school psychologist to assess Dennis to determine the cause of his aggression and ways to handle it. An ISP was completed for Dennis



MEET DENNIS



Despite teacher support on strategies of how to handle Dennis, and repeated close interactions with Dennis, his behaviour did not improve. He hit a child with a cricket bat and then climbed onto the roof and threatened to commit suicide. Red lights should now flicker! Refer to DBST. What are their options? (Professional medical assessment/Admission to a hospital for observation / Drop in centres Department of Mental health / Referral: School for learners with behaviour disorders) Note the DBST plan of action in relation to the learners: Form DBE 121 Level of

support: High

All of this should happen with the parents' consent



MEET IVOR



Already referred to the SBST

Ivor is on the Autism spectrum and despite intervention from the LSE teacher and a counsellor the teacher is not coping. This impacts negatively on the child who in turn becomes very aggressive. The teacher has become an additional barrier to the child. The parents are upset with the school for failing and not supporting the child and the teacher is upset with the school for failing her.

What are the options for the SBST? Autism SA or other specialists should have been involved when the teacher noticed that there was a child on the autism spectrum in her class, equipping her with strategies to cope with the child. Close co-operation with parents is also necessary. ISP extremely important! Is a specialized school for learners on the spectrum an option? Level of functioning should determine this.



MEET GANESH



Ganesh always seems dirty, dishevelled, wears torn clothes, looks underfed. He struggles to concentrate, seems tired and lies on his arms. His homework is seldom done. His often late for school or absent. He struggles to communicate.

Who should get involved?

What interventions could be considered?

Fact finding mission, Social Services, Social grants for child headed household, foster-care, feeding scheme, clothing bank etc. Without the necessary intervention and support Ganesh is a candidate to drop out of school: Level of support: Low

His teacher enforces the school rules diligently and consistently. She gives him demerits for being late, for being absent without good reason and for being untidy. She shouts at him for not doing his homework and for his poor performance

REMEMBER: EVERYONE IN THE CLASSROOM HAS A STORY THAT LEADS TO MISBEHAVIOR OR DEFIANCE. NINE TIMES OUT OF TEN, THE STORY BEHIND THE MISBEHAVIOR WON'T MAKE YOU ANGRY. IT WILL BREAK YOUR HEART.

- Annette Breaux







Composition of the SBST

- Class teachers
- Subject teachers
- Teachers involved in Management
- Professionals: Therapists,
 Psychologists, Remedial teachers,
 Counsellors, Social workers, Nurses
- Persons with specialized skills:
 Behaviour Analyst, Autism spectrum disorder specialist, Learning specialist
- Volunteers: Social workers, health workers
- Skilled Parents
- Learners: Peer support
- Community role players





School Based Support Team: SBST Responsibilities

- Respond to teachers' requests for assistance
- Investigate, gather additional information
- Inform and involve parents
- Strategies, programmes, services, resources, practical cost effective support to strengthen the ISP. ISP should be reviewed once a term.
- Identify role players in the local community as sources of support
- Determining eligibility of a learner for an accommodation/concession. Panel discussion.
 Form DBE 124

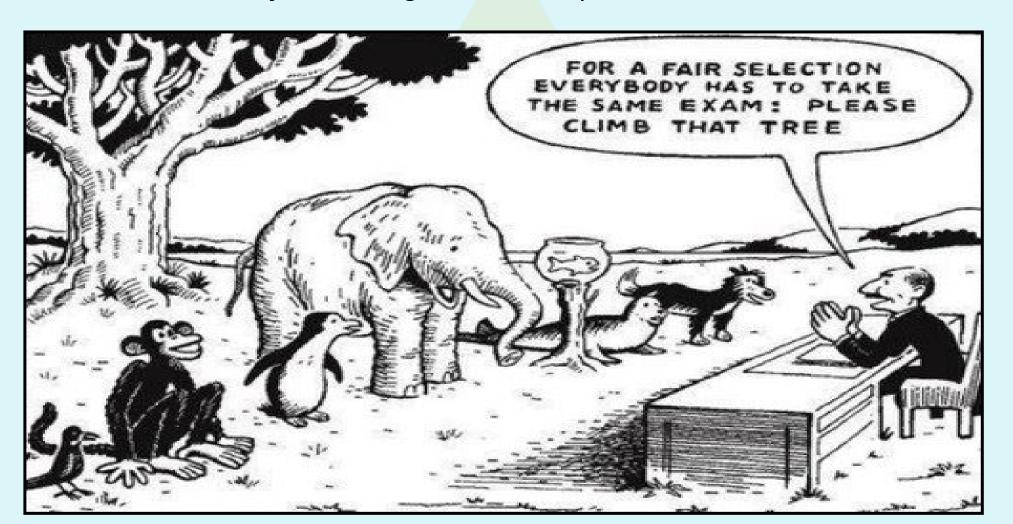


Requests assistance from and refers to the District Based Support Team (DBST) to enhance ISPs and support for placement of learners in a specialized setting

SIAS: ACCOMMODATIONS AND ALTERNATIVE ASSESSMENT



"Everybody is a genius. But if you judge a fish by its ability to climb a tree, it will live its whole life believing that it is stupid." Albert Einstein



WHAT ARE BARRIERS TO ASSESSMENT?

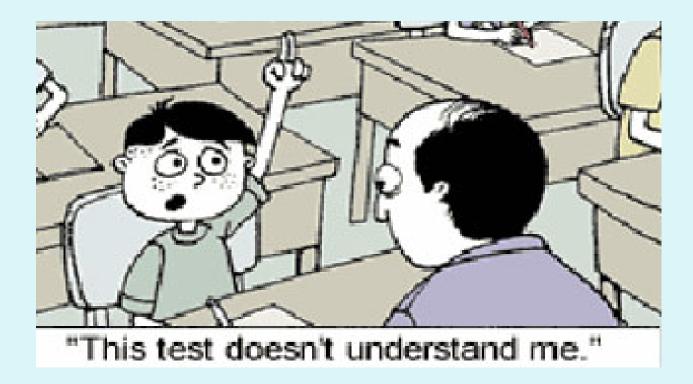
Any condition, disability or specific circumstance which prevents the learner from demonstrating his/her knowledge effectively in normal tests or examination conditions and which prevents him/her from giving a true reflection of his/her abilities and reaching his/her potential,





WHAT ARE ASSESSMENT ACCOMMODATIONS?

Any **alterations** to the standard form of assessment, test, examination or conditions relating to the assessment process, which are put in place to enable learners to reflect the knowledge and skills they have gained **without being disadvantaged** by the process of examining





CATEGORIES OF ACCOMMODATIONS

- Presentation: font, recordings, adaptation of questions
- **Response**: allows for completion of task in different ways
- **Setting:** allows for a change in location in which test is given
- **Time/scheduling**: allows for changes in length of time or organization of time during a test.



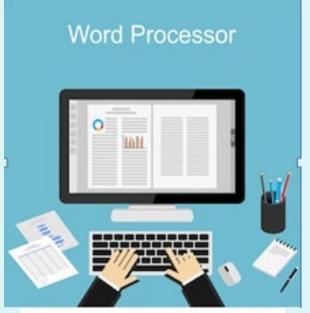


SIAS: ACCOMMODATIONS AND ALTERNATIVE ASSESSMENT

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PRINCIPLES

- Do not assume a learner with a disability needs an accommodation YET do not assume learners with the same disabilities/barriers need similar accommodations
- Accommodations in assessments should parallel accommodations in instruction
- Applications for accommodations do not halt remediation /intervention. 2 processes should work concurrently
- Learners and parents must be comfortable and give consent





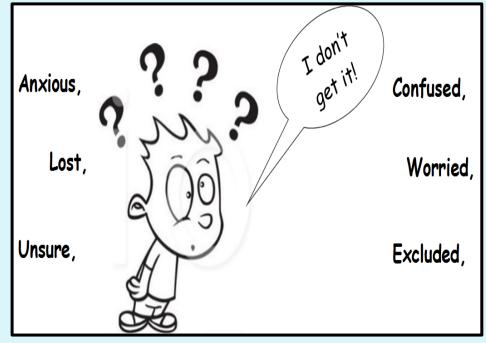
MOST COMMON BARRIERS TO ASSESSMENT

- Reading/writing difficulties (dyslexia, dysgraphia, dyspraxia)
- Slow reading/working tempo
- Difficulties with mathematics (dyscalculia)
- Visual / hearing impairments
- Physical disabilities affecting reading/writing
- Severe anxiety
- ADHD
- Developmental disorders eg learners on the Autism spectrum and FASD





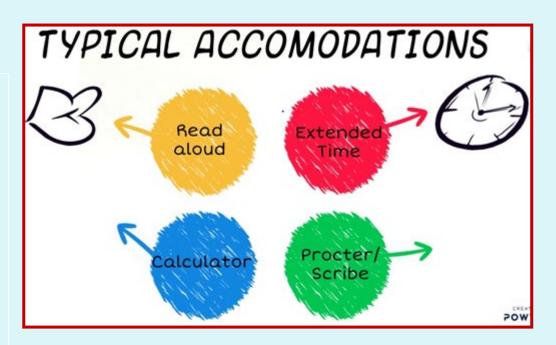






ACCOMMODATIONS AND CONCESSIONS

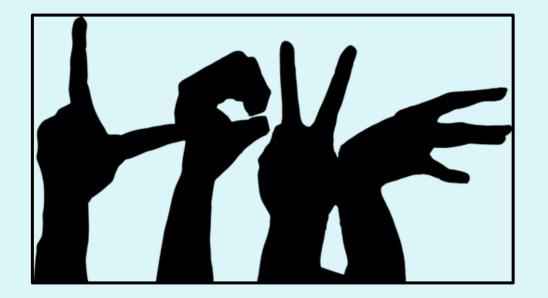
- Additional time
- Reader
- Voice activated computer)
- Scribe
- Computer
- Oral examination
- Separate venue
- Prompter
- Personal assistant
- Rest breaks
- Enlarged print
- Handwriting
- Spelling





ACCOMMODATIONS AND CONCESSION (Continued)

- Digital player/recorder
- Medication and food intakes
- Adaptation of questions (Differentiation)
- Transcription of Braille
- Sign Language Interpreter
- Computer/voice to text/text to voice
- Video/DVD/recorder/webcam
- Endorsed NSC
- Exemption from a language/maths
- Ad Hoc Support





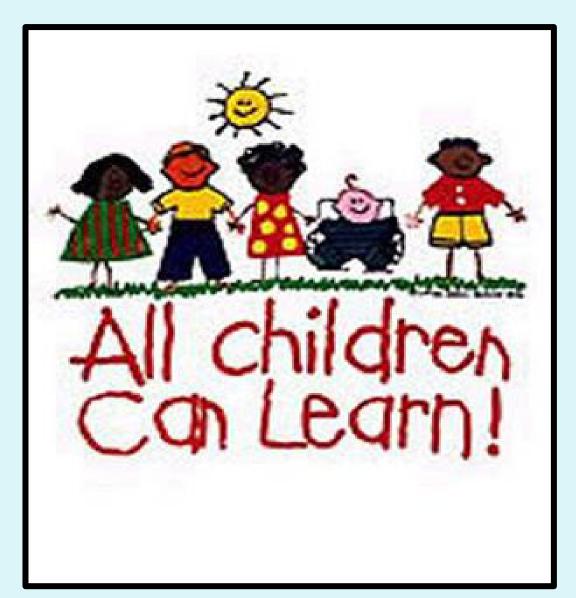




Identification of learners for alternative or adaptive assessment:
Accommodations and Concessions

Learners who are eligible for accommodations and alternative assessment in Grades 10 to 12 should have been identified as early as the foundation phase or at least by October of their Grade 10 year, except where a need arises at a later stage

SIAS process MUST be followed Consent from leaners and parents



SIAS: ACCOMMODATIONS AND ALTERNATIVE ASSESSMENT



ACCOMMODATIONS APPLICATIONS

- ✓ Responsibility of the SBST
- ✓ Teacher's responsibility:
 Supporting documents
- SIAS forms (SNA 1-2, learner profile, ISP)
- Supporting history
- School reports
- Samples of written work
- Medical reports/Health and
- disability assessment form





IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS

- CAPS Gr R-12
- Guidelines for Inclusive Teaching and learning 2010
- Guidelines for responding to Learner Diversity in the classroom 2012
- Special Schools as Resource Centres 2005
- Guidelines for full service schools 2009
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SIAS TIPS: Meet the parents

- Establish trust between you and parents/ caregiver
- **Show interest** in family, their work, health
- Do not concentrate on weak points focus on something good.
- Do not make a diagnosis can tell them you are concerned and you think intervention is necessary. Provide evidence/be prepared
- Do not judge parents for the condition of their child (make them upset, angry, scared to open up)
- Let them talk and share concerns.
- When parents become aggressive or defensive, you must realize it not a personal attack. Anticipate conflict/questions





- Repeat concerns on different occasions. Sometimes they don't hear when they are upset.
- Be positive and practical and professional.
- Note your body Language
- Naturally / Work at the social skills

SIAS TIPS: Teacher alert

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Do not ignore / take action immediately

- Who holds objects far or close to see
- Has problems with fine motor skills (writing legible, holding pencil, cutting with scissors, gluing)
- Clever child who loses interest
- Attention seeker
- Avoids activities
- Naughty, moody, clumsy
- Over-impulsive
- Who cries most of the time or who seem unhappy
- Who is always unsatisfied with his work (perfectionist or low self-esteem)
- Struggles to concentrate
- Speech difficulties
- Struggles to relate to adults or other children





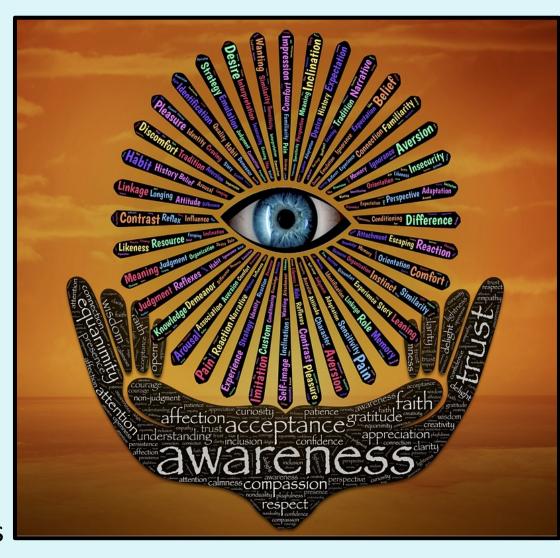


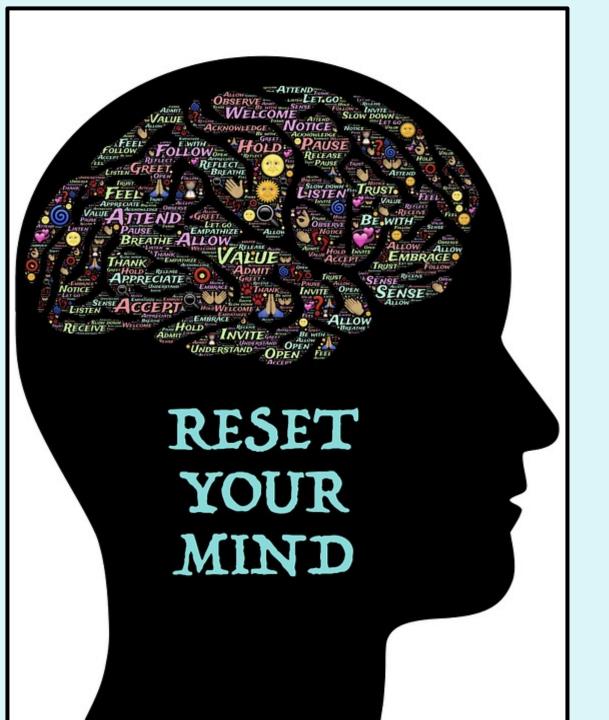
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- Changes in behaviour or mood: aggressive, withdrawn, anxious, destructive, scared, seems traumatised
- Desperate for attention even negative attention
- Constantly tired, sick, lethargic
- Unable to sit still and complete a task
- Child who does not listen (check hearing)
- Struggles to communicate and form relationships
- Lack of eye contact
- Slow child
- Convulsions
- Incessant repetitive movements or echolalic speech (autism/tourette's syndrome)
- Constant ear, eye infections, runny noses, sore eyes









It is our attitude at the beginning of a difficult task which, more than anything else, will affect its successful outcome. (William James)

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