NAEP 2011 State-Specific Paper & Pencil Accommodations Guidelines Summary for Students with Disabilities (SD)
Grades 4 and 8

Kansas

The Kansas State Department of Education expects that most students with disabilities (SD) will be included on the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) as follows:

- All students on a Section 504 Plan should participate in NAEP with or without appropriate accommodations.
- All students with disabilities who participate in the Kansas Computerized (KCA) assessments with or without accommodations should participate in NAEP.
- All students with disabilities who participate in the Kansas Assessment of Modified Measures (KAMM) should participate in NAEP with appropriate accommodations.
- **Only students with disabilities who participate in the Kansas Alternate Assessment (KAA) may be excluded from any NAEP assessment.**

Since some students may require accommodations in order to access the assessment and to better demonstrate their knowledge and skills, NAEP offers most of the accommodations that Kansas allows on the state assessments. A student's Individualized Education Program (IEP) or Section 504 Plan should not require revisions for the student to participate in NAEP. The following table should be used to determine allowable accommodations for students with disabilities in Kansas. If an accommodation is not listed, please check with Beth Fultz, NAEP State Coordinator at 785-296-2325 to see if the accommodation can be provided on NAEP.

Several accommodations provided on the Kansas assessments are not necessary for NAEP because of how it is administered. For example:

- Writes answers in test booklet: On NAEP, all students write responses in the assessment booklets, not on separate answer documents.
- Takes assessment over multiple days: NAEP is much shorter than the state assessments, so multiple day testing is not offered. Students take two 25-minute subject matter blocks and answer survey questions about their educational experiences.

Please keep in mind that NAEP does not produce results for individual students or schools, like the Kansas state assessments. All results are summarized only at the state and national level. In other words, the NAEP assessments do not impose consequences for the student or the school, and are instead intended purely to provide a picture of educational performance and progress.

NAEP Accommodation	NAEP Subject	NAEP Accommodation Description	Kansas Accommodation	NAEP accommodations allowed in Kansas
Extended time	Mathematics, Reading, Science	This accommodation requires that students be given extra time to complete the assessment. *NOTE: If state test is untimed, students may or may not require extended time on NAEP. NAEP is a timed, but not a "speeded" test (it is not designed to evaluate how many questions a student can answer in a limited amount of time). Generally, most students are able to complete the NAEP cognitive sections in the time allowed (25 minutes per section).*	**Kansas assessments are not timed.**	YES Do NOT exclude students who need extended time.

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Small group	Mathematics, Reading, Science	Generally, a small group session includes no more than five students. A student can be assigned to a small group session because he/she requires one, or because one or more of the accommodations he/she typically requires must be administered in a separate session to minimize distractions to other students in the regular session.	**Kansas Accommodation Code #8 – student received read-aloud accommodation in a group.**	YES Do NOT exclude students who need a small group setting.
One-on-one	Mathematics, Reading, Science	This accommodation requires that a student is assessed individually in an area free of distractions.	**Kansas Accommodation Code #0 – separate, quiet or individual setting**	YES Do NOT exclude students who need one-on-one test administration. Be prepared to provide school personnel for this accommodation.
Directions only read aloud in English	Mathematics, Reading, Science	For this accommodation, students may have the general directions (the same for all students) and/or the subject-specific directions read aloud, repeated, or reworded in any way in English so that students understand what to do. *NOTE: Some students' IEPs or 504 Plans stipulate that they should receive this accommodation. For those students, this will be coded as an accommodation. Students who do not have this as an IEP or 504 requirement, but who need the general directions (the same for all students) and/or the subject-specific directions read aloud, repeated, or reworded in any way in English can request this by raising his or her hand during the session, and it will not be recorded as an accommodation.*	**Acceptable assessment practice and is not considered an accommodation in Kansas.** **Students needing this accommodation should not be separated from the large group.**	YES Do NOT exclude students who need directions read aloud in English.
Test items read aloud in English – occasional	Mathematics, Science **Not Allowed for Reading**	For this accommodation, students may request to have words, phrases, or sentences read aloud to them in English.	**Acceptable assessment practice and is not considered an accommodation in Kansas.** **DO NOT exclude student from reading assessment if they were given this accommodation on the Kansas reading assessment.**	YES Do NOT exclude students who need test items read aloud in English.

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Test items read aloud in English – most or all	Mathematics, Science **Not Allowed for Reading**	For this accommodation, students may request to have most or all of the assessment booklet read aloud to them in English.	**Kansas Accommodation Code #6 – student used the KCA audio voice or received read-aloud accommodation** **DO NOT exclude student from reading assessment if they were given this accommodation on the Kansas reading assessment**	YES Do NOT exclude students who need test items read aloud in English. Reflect on this accommodation before selecting. Schools selecting this accommodation are requesting the 90 minute assessment be read aloud to the student. Be prepared to provide school personnel for this accommodation.
Breaks during test	Mathematics, Reading, Science	This accommodation requires that the student be allowed to take breaks as requested or at predetermined intervals during the assessment. This also could mean that the student is allowed to take the assessment in more than one sitting during a single day.	**Kansas Accommodation Code #1 – frequent breaks during the assessment.**	YES Do NOT exclude students who need frequent breaks. Students needing this accommodation may not need to be separated from the large group.
Must have an aide administer the test	Mathematics, Reading, Science	This accommodation requires that a school staff member familiar to the student administer the session.	**This accommodation is not needed in Kansas since all tests are administered by local school staff.**	YES Do NOT exclude students who need a familiar person to administer the assessment. Be prepared to provide school personnel for this accommodation.

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Responds orally to a scribe	Mathematics, Reading, Science	This accommodation requires that the student respond orally to a scribe provided by the school or respond by pointing to his/her answers. The scribe then records the student's responses in the assessment booklet.	**Kansas Accommodation Code #5 – student dictated his/her answers to a scribe.**	YES Do NOT exclude students who need a scribe. Be prepared to provide school personnel for this accommodation.
Large print version of the test	Mathematics, Reading, Science	NAEP provides large-print booklets to students who are visually impaired. These are assessment booklets that have been enlarged to 129 percent.	**Kansas Accommodation Code # 3 – a large print version of the assessment is provided.**	YES Do NOT exclude students who need a large print version of the test.
Magnification equipment	Mathematics, Reading, Science	This is a lens or system provided by the school that enhances visual function. Magnification devices include eyeglass-mounted magnifiers, freestanding or handheld magnifiers, enlarged computer monitors, or computers with screen-enlargement programs. Some students use closed-circuit television to enlarge print and display printed material with various image enhancements on a screen.	**Kansas Accommodation Code # 4 – student uses visual magnification.**	YES Do NOT exclude students who use magnification equipment.
Uses template/special equipment/ preferential seating	Mathematics, Reading, Science	Template: This is a cutout or overlay provided by the school that is used to focus a student's attention on one part of a page by obscuring other parts of the page. Writing Tool: This is a large-diameter pencil, pencil grip, or other special writing tool provided by the school that a student uses to record his/her answers in the assessment booklet. *NOTE: Some students' IEPs or 504 Plans stipulate that they should receive this accommodation. For those students, this will be coded as an accommodation. Students who do not have this as an IEP or 504 requirement, but who typically use large-diameter pencils, pencil grips, or other special writing tools during assessments, may use these for NAEP, and it will not be recorded as an accommodation.* Responds Using a Computer or Typewriter: This accommodation requires that the student record his/her answers using a computer or typewriter provided by the school. Preferential Seating: This accommodation requires that a student sit in a designated area for the assessment; such as away from other students to limit distractions; a location where there is access to special equipment; or close to the front of the room so that a student can see or hear more easily. It may also include special light and furniture used by the student.	**Template – This accommodation is not needed in Kansas since all tests are administered on the computer.** **Writing Tool – This accommodation is not needed in Kansas since all tests are administered on the computer.** **Responds Using a Computer - This accommodation is not needed in Kansas since all tests are administered on the computer.** **Preferential Seating – Kansas Accommodation Code #0 – separate, quiet or individual setting.**	YES Do NOT exclude students for any of these accommodations.

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Cueing to stay on task	Mathematics, Reading, Science	This accommodation requires that a school staff member provide students with a verbal or nonverbal cue to begin a task or to refocus on a task.	**Acceptable assessment practice and is not considered an accommodation in Kansas.**	YES Do NOT exclude students who need cueing to stay on task.
Presentation or response in Braille	Mathematics, Reading, Science	Presentation: This is a Braille version of the booklet. Response: This accommodation requires that a visually impaired student record his/her answers using a Braille output device, a slate and stylus, or an electronic Brailler note taker provided by the school, or uses a scribe to record the answers (see "Responds orally to a scribe" accommodation).	**Kansas Accommodation Codes # 2 – a Braille edition of the assessment is provided.** **Kansas Accommodation Code # 12 – student used a Braille writer or stylus.**	YES Do NOT exclude visual impaired students.
Presentation or response in Sign Language	Mathematics, Reading **(Response only)**, Science	Presentation: This accommodation requires that a qualified sign language interpreter at the school sign the instructions included in the session script and some or all of the test questions or answer choices for the student. **Presentation in sign language is not allowed for Reading.** Response: This accommodation requires that a hearing-impaired student sign his/her responses to a scribe provided by the school who records the responses in the student's booklet (see "Responds orally to a scribe" accommodation).	**Kansas Assessment Code # 10 – directions were signed to student.** **Kansas Accommodation Code # 11 – a student signed responses.** **Kansas Accommodation Code # 7 – student used a communication device.**	YES Do NOT exclude hearing impaired students. School should be prepared to provide personnel trained for this accommodation.