

Autism Spectrum Disorder

What is it?

Under IDEA ASD is: a developmental disability significantly affecting verbal and nonverbal communication and social interaction, generally evident before age three, that adversely affects a child's educational performance



Like the rainbow, ASD is a spectrum. There are many different levels and skill sets.

Assistive Technologies



Object Schedule



Headphones



Videos



Stop, Almost Done, Go Cards

What does this mean for a person with ASD?

Deficit in social communication



trouble with eye contact



trouble with non-verbal cues



trouble with understanding, and creating relationships

Restrictive or Repetitive Behavior



repetitive motor movements



must stick to a specific routine



fixated interest

In the Classroom...



Allow choice, but give clear and concise options



Go beyond the "teacher look"



Try to solve sensory issues in the classroom



Create a classroom of understanding

ASD and Theater



Theater Games



Improvisation Challenges



Increase in positive behaviors



Increase in flexible thinking

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