

Special Education Related Services

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Title 20 of the US Code, Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations and CA Ed Code, Section 56363....What is a Related Service?

The term "related services" means transportation, and such developmental, corrective, and other supportive services...

...designed to enable an individual with exceptional needs to receive a free appropriate public education as described in the individualized education program of the child as may be required to assist an individual with exceptional needs to benefit from special education, and includes the early identification and assessment of disabling conditions in children.

May include, but are not limited to...

- Language and speech development
- Orientation and mobility
- Adapted PE
- Vision
- Physical and occupational therapy

- Audiological services
- Counseling and Guidance
- Psychological
- Health and nursing
- Interpreting
- Specialized services for low incidence disabilities

Does not include...

A medical device that is surgically implanted, including cochlear implants, The optimization of the functioning of a medical device, maintenance of that device, or the replacement of that device...

Related Services...

Related Service support should be considered only if they are *Necessary and Required* for the student to make progress on IEP goals or their educational program.

A Related Service must have:

Educational Relevance Clear Purpose Educational Necessity



Educational Relevance

Exists when a proposed service can be explicitly linked with a component of the student's educational program.

Clear Purpose

The team should clearly understand purpose of a proposed Related Service.

A clear purpose promotes effective implementation and evaluation.

Sometimes the purpose of providing a related service

is to:

- Select and monitor the use of equipment
- –Make adaptations
- Apply skills specific to the professional discipline



Educationally Necessary

A Related Service MUST be educationally necessary and required...

Related Services may be educationally necessary if:

The absence of the service interferes with the student's ability to benefit from special education.

Related Services may not be **educationally necessary** if:

The student makes some educational benefit from their special education instruction...

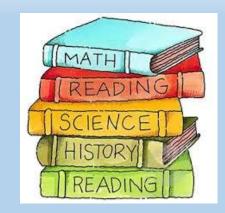
Educationally Necessary???

Service probably not educationally necessary when:

- The proposed service could be addressed appropriately by the special educator or classroom teacher
- The proposed service could be addressed appropriately through core school faculty or staff
- The student has been benefiting from his or her special education program without the service, or would continue to make progress without the service.

Educational Model

The focus is how to appropriately support the student in the educational setting



- Supports Curriculum
- Supports access to the Educational Environment

Considers strategies that are integrated into the educational setting

Encourages active collaboration between all IEP providers



Exploring Related Services in SDUSD...

- Speech and Language
- Adapted PE
- Occupational and Physical Therapy
- Vision therapy
- Music Therapy
- Mental Health Resource Services/School Psychology Services

- Recreation Therapy
- Nursing and Wellness
- Low Incidence Services:
 Vision Impaired, Physical
 Impairments, Deaf or Hard of Hearing
- Transportation

