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| Content  (input) | Depth of knowledge  (input) | Intended Goals (output) | Method of Instruction |
| Same as general curriculum | Same or modified | Modified | Modified |

**ASD**

**Autistic Spectrum Disorder**

**What does it look like?**

* Prefers to play alone
* Does not follow usual social rules
* Strong long-term memory
* Intensive focus on preferred activities
* Can be sensitive to particular textures, smells, sounds or light, either seeking or avoiding them
* Punctual, honest and detail oriented
* Has particular interests and tends to focus on them
* Fine detail processing
* Sometimes overreacts to things
* Finds it hard to communicate what he/she wants
* Strong sequencing skills
* Takes instructions literally
* Sometimes has few friends
* Might have poor coordination or motor skills
* Sometimes avoids eye contact

**Curriculum modifications:**

* Set high expectations
* Create opportunities to exhibit positive behaviours
* Have a set, explicit routine / timetable (visual timetable)
* Accept alternative form of presenting understanding e.g. video, blog, drawing
* Allow typing instead of writing
* Preferential seating so the teacher is easily accessible
* Use templates and examples of expectations
* Set up ‘relaxation’ activities before a lesson (finger gym, sensory space)
* Be explicit with all directions
* Call the student by name at regular intervals
* Use the students favourite topics as a starting point
* Put fewer questions on a page or activity
* Use highlighters to draw attention to key information
* Create fact sheets of key information
* If a student is capable of getting to the correct answer by “doing it in his head” consider allowing him to not have to show his work, or only having to show work on a few select problems
* Use ear defenders during quiet activities
* Allow extra time for activities or reduce the content
* Use index cards
* Use a theraband on the legs of the chair
* Use test adaptations

**Resources to support this student:**

Visual Timetable

Timer

Highlighters

Fidget tools

Elastic Bands

Theraband

Ear defenders