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The NIMAS Clearinghouse

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What is NIMAS?

The National Instructional Materials Accessibility Standard (NIMAS) and the National Instructional Materials Access Center (NIMAC) are new provisions in the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act of 2004. States are required to adopt a standard electronic file format for instructional materials that will enable students with print disabilities to access their core instructional materials.

Under these provisions, eligible students with print disabilities will be able to access their textbooks and supplemental materials in a specialized format at the same time as the other students in their classrooms. The adoption of NIMAS increases the availability and the timely delivery of print materials in accessible formats for Wyoming students.

NIMAC

The NIMAC serves as a central repository for NIMAS files. The NIMAS coordinator can download these files and assist districts in obtaining alternative and accessible materials that will benefit students with special needs.

What are alternative formats?

Instructional materials may need to be converted to Braille or large print for students with visual impairments, or to audiobooks for students who learn better through oral presentation of material. Individuals who are unable to physically manipulate the pages of a book may also require a specialized format or assistive technologies to independently control their learning activities.

When publishers provide NIMAS files to the NIMAC repository, eligible students with special needs will have the opportunity to interact with their instructional materials in a way that matches their learning style.



How are alternate format books requested?

School districts can contact the NIMAS Clearinghouse directly to request assistance in obtaining alternate formats of core materials. Eligibility and Request Forms, as well as additional support information, can be found on Wyoming's NIMAS Web site at www.wind.uwyo.edu/nimas

Additional resources for information about NIMAC, NIMAS, and alternate formats include:

www.nimac.us
nimas.cast.org
www.aph.org
www.k12.wy.us/se.asp
www.altformat.com
www.daisy.org