

## **Assistive Technology**

Assistive technology (AT) devices or services or both are made available to a student with a disability as required to assist the student to benefit from special education. In such cases, assistive technology may be a part of one or more of the following: special education, related services, and/or supplementary aids and services. The District provides the AT devices in all settings specified in the student's IEP, including school, home and community work sites.

Hamden makes efforts to ensure that hearing aids worn in school by students with hearing impairments, including deafness, are functioning properly. In addition, the District will ensure that the external components of surgically implanted medical devices are functioning properly.

The IDEA, adopted the National Instructional Materials Accessibility Standard (NIMAS) for the purpose of increasing the availability and timely delivery of textbooks and other core instructional materials in accessible formats to blind or other persons with print disabilities in elementary and secondary schools.

1. Our District will coordinate with the National Instructional Material Access Center (NIMAC) to assure the timely provision of instructional material for blind or other persons with print disabilities. Our District requires the publisher to submit a NIMAS file sent to the NIMAC, or we may purchase instructional materials from the publisher that are produced in, or may be rendered in specialized formats. However, our District remains responsible for ensuring that accessible specialized formats are provided to students with print disabilities in a timely manner.