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Literacy Support Service for Students with Complex Needs

What Is It?

The **Literacy Support Service for Students with Complex Needs** consists of the following components:

- Half-day on-site visit from an empowerED consultant that consists of:
 - Observation of student's current reading instruction
 - Interview with members of the student's team to determine current strengths and needs
 - Review of curricula currently in place
- One to two hour assessment of the student using modified materials to determine baseline literacy skills
 - Prior to the assessment, the consultant will discuss the student with the special education teacher and work collaboratively to develop appropriate assessment materials (may include addition of responses to a communication device, manipulatives, etc.)
- Written report that includes:
 - Results of the assessment
 - Recommendations for structured literacy program
 - Recommendations for modifications to student's participation in general education
- Two-hour training on adapting supports to structured literacy programs
- Monthly coaching support - two hours per month of remote consultation with individual implementing the literacy program to discuss successes and develop solutions to challenges
- Monthly remote observation - monthly remote observation of the teacher implementing literacy instruction to support fidelity of implementation (in-person can be arranged depending on distance)
- Participation at student IEP meetings or team meetings can also be arranged

