Modified Comprehensive Autism Planning Systems (M-CAPS)

Activity	Targeted Skills to Teach	Structure/Modifications	Reinforcement	Sensory Strategies	Social Skills/ Communication	Data Collection	Generalization
Independent Work	Task completion	▪Task organizer (prompt to use) ▪Organization calendar (prompt to use) ▪Systematic fading procedures for independent use ▪Peer buddies	▪Calming skills ▪Appropriate conversation ▪Completing homework/in-class work (from reinforcement menu)	▪Relaxation techniques ▪Coping cards ▪Stress thermometer	▪Asking for help when stuck	▪Task completion	Use task organizer and organization calendar across day
Group Work	Conversational rules	▪Task organizer (prompt to use) ▪Organization calendar (prompt to use) ▪Systematic fading procedures for independent use ▪Peer buddies	▪Calming skills ▪Appropriate conversation ▪Completing homework/in-class work (from reinforcement menu)	▪Relaxation techniques ▪Coping cards ▪Ear plugs ▪Stress thermometer ▪Take a break card	▪Conversation cues ▪Comic Strip Conversations TM ▪Hidden curriculum notebook ▪Cues for commenting and asking questions ▪Social Stories TM	▪Appropriate comments during group (measured 1x per week)	Use hidden curriculum information during Scouts meetings
Tests	Task completion	▪Task Organizer (prompt to use) ▪Orally administered tests	▪Calming skills ▪Appropriate conversation ▪Test completion	▪Fidget at desk ▪Earplugs	Cues for commenting and asking question	Test grades	
Lectures	Attention to task	▪Task Organizer (prompt to use) ▪Systematic fading procedures for independent use ▪Lecture notes provided	▪Calming skills ▪Appropriate conversation	Fidget at desk	▪Conversation cues ▪Comic Strip Conversations TM ▪Hidden curriculum notebook -Cues for commenting and asking questions		

| | ▪Materials and supplies needed | (prompt to use and double check with student) | turned in (reinforcement menu) | to complete ▪Frequent breaks | | turned in complete | |

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