

ACCESSIBLE INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS CENTER

Oklahoma Department of Rehabilitation Services (DRS)

PURPOSE

The Accessible Instructional Materials (AIM) Center maintains a central repository of braille and large print textbooks and other specialized instructional materials for loan to Oklahoma students who cannot use regular print.

The AIM Center also maintains the Federal Quota Registry of blind and visually impaired children. The Registry is important because it draws federal funding to help states provide accessible instructional materials.

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FINANCIAL CRITERIA

- None

ELIGIBILITY

Children in pre-kindergarten through 12th grade who attend public and private schools in Oklahoma, are enrolled in a home-school program, or receive services from SoonerStart, and:

- are blind or visually impaired;
- have a physical disability that makes it difficult to use regular print books and school materials; or
- have a medically diagnosed learning disability that makes it difficult to read regular print.

AT SERVICES PROVIDED/COVERED

- Information & Referral

AT DEVICES PROVIDED/COVERED



Aids for Vision Impaired



Computers & Related



Learning Cognition & Developmental

APPLICATION PROCESS

- Contact the Oklahoma Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped

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- The program lends instructional materials for students to use as long as needed during the school year. A professional who works with the child must recommend the services or adaptive equipment needed. The types of instructional materials that are loaned include:
 - Braille and large print textbooks.
 - Braille and large print instructional materials such as tests, charts, and hand-outs.
 - Specialized educational aids.
 - Developmental toys and games to build concepts and enhance learning.
 - Materials for writing braille and learning adaptive skills.
 - Books with both braille and print text so that parents and teachers can share reading experiences with children who are blind.
- The AIM Center provides referrals of persons who may require specialized AT devices for accessible instructional materials (AIM) to Oklahoma ABLE Tech. Targeted audience would be:
 - those not already using some type of AT to access instructional materials and/or
 - those who have had a change in function that might result in a new or additional need for AIM/AT and/or
 - those who require a piece of AT that the AIM Center does not have available.