## Determining Type and Level of Support Needed to Promote Independence

| Student Name (DOB):  | Grade:  | Date:  |  |
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| Student Schedule   | Environmental / Instructional<br>Demand   | What can the Student do<br>Independently?  | What Supports / Strategies are Needed<br>to Increase Independence?   |
| In this column, list the target<br>student's current schedule<br>including all major transitions,<br>arrival and dismissal, lunch /<br>hallway times, and recess. If the<br>student's skills break down within<br>one part of the schedule, you may<br>need to include minor transitions<br>as well. For example, if during<br>circle time the student does well<br>with the song but struggles during<br>calendar, you may want to break<br>down the schedule further to<br>account for that. | This column should include all of<br>the demands that are required for<br>the student to independently<br>navigate the environment and<br>participate in the instruction<br>during that portion of the<br>schedule. | From the previous column, list the<br>areas in which the target student<br>can perform independently. This<br>column could also be used to list<br>the areas in which the target<br>student will need support or a<br>targeted teaching plan to navigate<br>the environment and participate in<br>instruction. | List in this column, all the<br>supports and strategies that will<br>be required to support the student<br>in navigating the environment and<br>participating in instruction as<br>independently as possible. These<br>include but are not limited to:<br>• Visual / Organizational<br>Supports / Strategies<br>• Peer to Peer Supports<br>• Functional Communication<br>System<br>• Positive Behavior Supports<br>• Evidence-Based Practices<br>• Accommodations /<br>Modifications<br>• Behavioral Response Plan /<br>Crisis Plan<br>• Adult Support (if this is<br>considered, use the "Adult<br>Support and Responsibilities"<br>form) |

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### **Adult Support and Responsibilities**

#### Additional adult support should only be provided when the student needs direct academic, behavioral or social support.

Determining IF a Additional Adult Support is Warranted:

1. Is there a safety concern for self or others?

2. Does the student require continual teacher prompts or help during instructions and/or after instructions (e.g. during independent work)?

- 3. Does the student require assistance with functional skills (dressing, organization)?
- 4. Do peers exclude the student in classroom activities?

If you answered YES to any question with regard to a particular point on the schedule, a paraprofessional may be warranted DURING THAT TIME.

#### Typical ROLES for Adult Support if Determined it is Warranted:

1. Support the student in interacting effectively with the environment:

- --Interpret Environmental / Educational Expectations
- --Assist in Material Organization
- --Assist in Desk Top Organization
- --Implement Academic Accommodations / Modifications
- --Support /Facilitate Socialization
- --Support/Facilitate Communication

#### 2. Provide additional learning opportunities:

- --Prompt appropriate behavior / work completion, etc.
- --Run Behavioral Systems

3. Assist the student in learning systems or using tools that allow for optimal participation in the school environment:

- --Visual Schedules
- --Visual Prompts
- --Modeling Peers

# Adult Support Responsibilities

| Student Name (DOB): |  | Grade: School:                  |  |  |
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| Student Schedule    | What is Student Doing<br>Now / Skill Breakdowns? | What is Goal(s) /<br>Outcome(s) | Adult Role /<br>Responsibility /<br>Strategies | How will this result in<br>increasing the student's<br>socialization and<br>independence skills? |
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