Accessible Instructional/Educational Materials (AEMs)

What Districts Need to Know
GaDOE does not endorse these products. GaDOE encourages ALL parties to do their own research.
AEMs

The History (VERY Abridged)
Copyright Law

- NLS Established (1931)
- Blind Children (1952)
- Music (1962)
- Physical Impairments (1966)
- Chaffee Amendment (1996)
- Library of Congress Regulation (Late 90’s)
- Treaty of Marrakesh (2018)
Access to Materials

- AIM – AEM (2012ish)
- Born Digital (2014ish)
- Open Educational Resources and GoOpen (2016)
- NIMAC Reimagined (wait for it)
AEMs
Defined
AEMs is...

- Braille
- Digital
- Large Print
- Auditory

Alternatives to print materials at, on, or above grade level. i.e., does NOT change to content or complexity of the text.
AEMs is not...
AEMs

Determining the Need

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Objective Measurements and Processes

- Protocol for Accommodations in Reading (PAR and uPAR)
- CAST AIMS Navigator
- Reading Inventories and Ubiquitous Software Trials
Acquisition

Material Sources

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Purchase of Materials

• Georgia
  • Learning Resources Recommendation Agreement

• CAST
  • Print Instructional Materials
  • Purchase Accessible Learning Materials (PALM)
Procurement Entities

- GIMC
- BookShare
- Learning Ally
- Local District...
AEMs

Resources

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Additional Information

• National Center on Accessible Educational Materials
• Center for Applied Special Technology (CAST)
• Understood.org
• American Printing House (APH)