

Consulting with education providers

Education providers must make adjustments (changes) that help students with disability to join in. But first they must discuss this with the student and their caregiver. The [Disability Standards for Education 2005](#) (DSE) call this consultation.

This could include a conversation about:

- Does the student's disability affect their ability to join in?
- Do they need an adjustment to help them join in?
- What could this adjustment be?
- Is this adjustment reasonable?
- Whether another adjustment should be made instead. There may be a few different options. Some may be easier to implement than others. If a different one is used, it should be equally (or more) helpful for the student.

These conversations must happen before the provider makes any decisions about adjustments. Consultation should also happen regularly during a student's time at school, such as at the start of every school year. This ensures that the student's changing needs are met over time.



To learn more, scan the QR code or visit:

www.education.gov.au/disability-standards-education-2005/students.