



New York State Resource Center For Visually Impaired

Providing assistance to support students who are
blind, visually impaired or print disabled in
achieving high standards of
learning and independence

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Services Offered by the Resource Center (RCVI)

Ordering of APH Textbooks and Instructional Materials

Braille and large print textbooks and specialized instructional materials manufactured by the American Printing House for the Blind are provided free of charge to students registered with the RCVI as legally blind through the Federal Quota Program.

Textbook Depository that lends Braille/Large Print Books/Regents

The RCVI has a collection of over 1,000 Braille textbooks, 4,000 large print textbooks, and 2,000 large print library books that can be borrowed free of charge for student use. Most Regents and NYS Grades 3-8 testing materials in Braille and large print going back 5 years are also available for loan to students.

NIMAS/NIMAC Materials Information & Ordering

Provisions within the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act of 2004 require State and Local Education Agencies to ensure that textbooks and related core instructional materials are provided to students with print disabilities in specialized formats in a timely manner. Specialized formats include Braille, Large Print, Audio, and Digital Text. There are several sources to access specialized formats including the National Instructional Materials Access Center (NIMAC), Accessible Media Producers (AMPs), and commercial sources, as well as making your own materials. The RCVI can provide support and guidance related to accessing specialized formats for students who are blind, visually impaired, or print disabled.

Information & Referrals for questions on Blindness & Visual Impairment

A Certified Teacher of the Visually Impaired/Orientation and Mobility Specialist is on staff to discuss visual conditions, instructional strategies, accommodations, and related topics with teachers, other service providers, parents, and family members who need to know about blindness and visual impairment.