Non-Categorical Assignment

A Staffing Practice to Enhance the Use of Special Education Personnel

Advantages of Cross-Categorical Assignment	Disadvantages of Cross-Categorical Assignment
❑ Fewer grade levels or subject areas for which an individual special education teacher is responsible ❑ Fewer general education teachers to coordinate with or meet with on a regular basis ❑ Greater opportunity for common planning periods with collaborative partners ❑ More focused time for students served in smaller range of grade levels or subjects ❑ Better support system for the general education teacher due to more in-depth knowledge of special education teachers of fewer general education classes, procedures, materials, and students ❑ Your own thoughts…	❑ Greater diversity of special education student needs within smaller range of grade levels or subjects ❑ Potential difficulties due to State or local teacher certification and/or assignment requirements ❑ Your own thoughts… **Our school uses:** ☐ **Categorical Staff Assignment** ☐ **Cross-Categorical Staff Assignment**

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