

Teacher roles	Paraeducator roles
Organizing the classroom: Designs the layout of the classroom; plans lessons; plans schedules	Organizing the classroom: Follows plan according to teacher's lead
Teaching lessons: Sets objectives; teaches the whole class, small groups, and individuals	Teaching lessons: Helps teacher manage small groups and individual students
Assessing learning: In charge of making sure all students complete lesson testing	Assessing learning: Helps manage testing process, including scoring
Managing behavior: Plans and implements behavior management strategies for staying on track in class	Managing behavior: Supports and implements behavior management strategies; tracks progress
Meeting with families: Communicates with families regarding students' progress	Meeting with families: Supports teacher's efforts to communicate with families
Working with individualized education programs (IEPs): Plans, develops, and implements IEPs; creates instructional materials; participates in professional development opportunities	Working with individualized education programs (IEPs): Supports teacher's IEP efforts; tracks student progress; reports progress to teacher; creates supporting materials according to teacher's plans; attends professional development geared toward paraeducators