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Working with Paraprofessionals: A Resource for Educators of Students with Disabilities is one of the many Progress in the General Curriculum statewide network resources that are available free to anyone with an interest in helping students with disabilities succeed.

This document is meant to assist in defining and distinguishing the roles and responsibilities of the certified teacher from the paraprofessional. Its intent is also to help open the lines of communication so that paraprofessionals are more effectively utilized in assisting students with disabilities.

The specific duties a paraprofessional is allowed to perform is dependent on the level of his or her certification. This document outlines allowable duties for each level of certification. The next section explains the general roles and responsibilities of each person. The majority of this document explains the differences in the duties between the special education teacher and the paraprofessional in a general education setting, a special education setting, and in non-traditional settings, such as homebound or a community based facility. There are also sections on communication between all stakeholders, and much more.

I hope you take the time to read through this resource, and to also share it with colleagues. This document, and many others can be accessed at www.TexasPGC.net.