

PAVE Elementary & Middle School

A Case Study of Special Ed Delivery in a NYC Public Charter School

How PAVE Charter, an elementary and middle school in Brooklyn, NY use Education Modified to more efficiently manage information and track goal progress for their special populations of students.

School:

Pave Elementary & Middle School

Location:

Brooklyn, NY

School Type:

Charter

Grades:

K-8th Grade

Students:

515

IEP System:

SESIS

Overview

The Special Education team at PAVE Schools in Brooklyn, NY began using Education Modified in January 2020 to digitize all student information, improve collaboration, and more effectively progress monitor IEP goals. At first, PAVE began using Education Modified to support their IEP and ELL students. Today, they also use it for all RTI, RTE, and behavioral Interventions students accounting for 20% of their entire student body.

"With the End of Year Student Profiles, having EdMod will give teachers a new way to learn about their students because they may not be able to meet them in person due to COVID-19."

Margaret Bates

Dean of Student Support Services

Use Cases

Special Ed teachers, General Education Teachers, Intervention Specialists, Social Workers, Related Service Providers.

Challenges

Most student information is housed in physical filing cabinets and as a NYC Public School, PAVE is mandated to use SESIS (Special Education Student Information Plan) by the NYC Department of Education to house all special ed student information (such as IEPs). Because the general ed team had difficultly accessing relevant student information, the Special Ed teams provided physical student packets, emailed information and shared spreadsheets to better communicate students' learning needs, accommodations, and progress monitoring goals.

Difficulty tracking student files with physical binders



Providing teachers with the appropriate student information required many hours of scanning and printing out packets or emailing specific student links to specific teachers.

Difficulty accessing and maintaining spreadsheets

The experience was not user friendly and static for teachers. It was also difficult to follow the student and create a narrative that was distinct for parents.

Difficulty progress monitoring & synthesizing student needs

It was difficult to have a precise goal tracking system in an excel sheet for IEP and RTI students.

"Education Modified has become our new digital filing cabinet for student information. We no longer need to spend time scanning and printing out documents or working with spreadsheets."

Tatianna Francis

Dean of Student Support Services

Solution

PAVE partnered with Education Modified to improve collaboration, record keeping, and share information for special populations students more easily. PAVE also partnered with Education Modified to better track IEP, RTI, behavioral, and academic goal progress. Today, PAVE uses Education Modified as their digital filing cabinet to house over 500 students' information, including IEP, RTI, and ELA information.



Securely Access Student information

The Special Ed team no longer has to devote hours to printing out IEPs or create custom spreadsheets to individually share with teachers. Teachers can now access all information for students in their caseload- both qualitative information like teachers' professional memory or behavior notes and quanitative data like test scores- enhancing security around who has access to what information, anytime.



Streamline Maintenance of Student Information

Through SESIS reporting, student information can get bulk uploaded into the Education Modified platform. Teachers no longer have to manually input or update information to the share with their team.



Goal Progress Monitoring & Reporting

With the goal progress monitoring features, PAVE can now track what is being used to assess goals, monitor progress and report on IEP goals, academic goals, behavioral goals, and make goals for RTI students.

With the support of the Institute for Education Sciences at the US Department of Education, Education Modified conducts research and development to innovate the IEP process and improve instruction for students with disabilities.

