Q) A student with a disability was authorized for testing accommodations and plans on taking the tests in the DSPS office. How do I know that my exam will be safe and that the student will get no unfair advantage?

A) The DSPS office works to provide testing accommodations in a systematic and secure way. Students with this authorized accommodation must come into the office to schedule their test at least 3 days in advance. This provides the ability for the DSPS office to ensure the testing room has minimal distractions, that the instructor is notified in a timely manner to bring us the test, and that the test is schedule around the time the class is also taking the test. No student is able to take the test without the appropriate accommodations authorization and identifications are verified prior to taking the test. Students are monitored through a window to enable the staff to periodically view the students while they are taking tests. No personal belongings are allowed in the testing room, other than what the instructor has noted on the instruction sheet that the student can have. Upon completion of the test, the test is returned almost immediately to the instructor. Occasionally, there have been a few problems but the DSPS staff work to resolve any problems that might come up and notify the instructor of the issue.