



Unlike gait belts, the higher handle placement reduces the need to lean over while assisting a child promoting good ergonomics



Adjustable lead (18"-28") allows children to progress from proximal to more distal control (further away from staff)

The pack is highly beneficial for some children with special needs allowing for more independence and helps them accomplish their daily educational goals. Wearing the pack may help integrate sensory information and thus promote increased concentration and organization, enabling them to focus on accomplishing important tasks.

These backpacks were designed and developed with the assistance of the special education programs in the Public Schools of San Luis Obispo County, California.

Originally created as part of a risk management strategy to prevent employee injuries, the packs are helping certain students with special needs and other disabilities. Visually, the pack is really not all that different from any other backpack you might see at a school site, but it includes special features to help therapists, educators, and family members care for and enhance the lives of children with special needs.

Please visit our website at www.sipepack.com or contact Mike Bruffey at info@sipepack.com for additional information and how you can order SIPE special education backpacks.



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Available in sizes compact, regular and large.

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BACKPACK WITH GrabGear™

Towards independence.

A helping hand for children with special needs.



Multiple stabilizing handles located in key locations allow for redirecting, transitioning, and mobility assistance

3M™ reflective webbing for more visibility keeps children safer in poor or low light conditions

Under arm security strap keeps the pack in place if the student being assisted suddenly drops

Child safe sternum strap buckle to keep the pack secure



Top and rear handles provide a secure grip for walking along side students known to suddenly drop to the ground thus preventing potential injuries

Pocket to hold important emergency contact information



Two inner pockets hold weight bags inside the main compartment to distribute weight across the shoulders and back to help improve proprioceptive awareness and self-regulation

Padded waist belt keeps the pack secure and transfers some weight off of the shoulders making it more comfortable

Regular size pack pictured



The SIPE backpack is being used to help students with one or more of the following conditions or disabilities:

- Autism Spectrum
- Sensory processing/integration disorders
- ADHD
- Down Syndrome
- Hypersensitivity
- Cognitive impairment
- Cerebral Palsy
- Elopement
- Visual impairment
- Gait, stabilization, and mobility limitations