

Expanded Services to Students with Print Disabilities

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Oklahoma ABLE Tech is a federal grant program located at Oklahoma State University in Stillwater.

ABLE Tech announces a new service to help Oklahoma students access instructional materials and assistive technology. Oklahoma ABLE Tech is partnering with the State Department of Education to provide new services for K-12 students with print disabilities. Students with print disabilities may have a visual or mobility impairment or a reading disability that qualifies them to receive alternate curriculum content to better support learning and access to school materials. The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA, 2004) requires states and school districts to provide accessible versions of instructional materials to students with disabilities in a timely manner.

Accessible Instructional Materials (AIM)

Include specialized formats of curricular content that can be used by and with print-disabled learners:

- braille
- audio
- large print
- electronic text

How Do Oklahoma Schools Provide AIM?

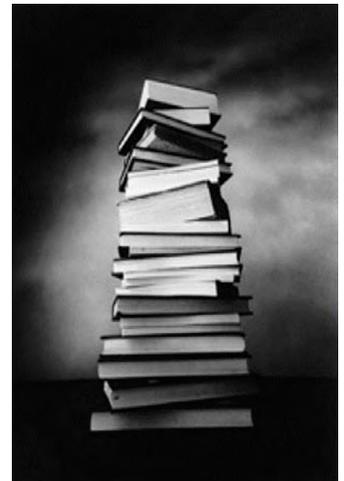
When schools order textbooks in April, they also should order materials in the ap-

propriate accessible format for students who they know will attend the following year. To expedite the acquisition of alternate formats, the school may directly contact one of Oklahoma's authorized users (AUs) to specify what is needed.

Assistive Technology and AIM

Students may need the additional support of an assistive technology (AT) device in order to access their instructional materials. Examples include, refreshable Braille display devices, a computer with screen reading software or literacy software to read text aloud, a book holder, an MP3 player with audio files, a portable reading device, or screen magnification software. ABLE Tech has a loan library of AIM related assistive technology.

Loans are for 4-6 weeks.



FREE Webinar Topics & Times

Topic: "Oklahoma ABLE Tech presents Accessible Instructional Materials, NIMAS, and Assistive Technology"

Date: Thursday, November 4, 2010

Time: 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Topic: "Oklahoma ABLE Tech presents Accessible Instructional Materials, NIMAS, and Assistive Technology"

Date: Wednesday, February 9, 2011

Time: 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Topic: "ABLE Tech Assistive Technology Services for Students"

Date: Wednesday, November 17, 2010

Time: 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Topic: "ABLE Tech Assistive Technology Services for Students"

Date: Tuesday, April 5, 2011

Time: 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Hands-On Assistive Technology Equipment Exposition

From communication devices to motorized wheelchairs and beyond, the latest information about devices designed to help people with disabilities will be available during the 2010 Oklahoma Assistive Technology Equipment Exposition on Tuesday, Dec. 7 at Northeastern State University in Broken Arrow, OK. Two pre-conference sessions will be held on December 6th from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on assistive reading tools and power mobility to support children

The exposition will feature a variety of assistive technology products, including new products for communication, mobility, computer access, positioning, adaptive play for children, daily living tasks, transportation, literacy and learning, and more. Continuing Education contact hours are available for Speech,

Occupational, and Physical Therapists.

The exposition is from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Northeastern State University, 3100 E. New Orleans, Broken Arrow, OK 74014. Although free to participants, attendees must pre-register by contacting Chuck Roberts at the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center in Oklahoma City by email at chuck-roberts@ouhsc.edu or by calling 405-271-8001, extension 47104.

The event is co-sponsored by the Oklahoma Assistive Technology Center located at the OUHSC, the Lee Mitchner Tolbert Center for Developmental Disabilities, and the Oklahoma State Department of Education, Special Education Services.

Partner of the Year

Oklahoma ABLE Tech recently named Sooner AMBUCS Share4Life Computers (ASK) partner of the year. For the past 13 years the ASK program recycled and gave away over 6000 computers to adults and children with disabilities. Although the recycling program was discontinued at the end of this summer, ABLE Tech wanted to recognize all of their efforts in assisting Oklahomans with disabilities that received computers and often specialized software to meet their needs. In addition to working with individuals directly, many organizations, schools and learning disability labs have used the ASK donated computers to expand their programs.

Adri-Anne Trammell managed the computer recycling program with the assistance of many volunteers of the Norman Sooner AMBUCS chapter. Adri-Anne coordinated applications and distribution by matching the right system to best meet the needs of each individual or teacher. Additional recognition must go to Linda Durbin who worked tirelessly to test donated computers, made minor repairs if necessary, loaded computers with free-ware, stripped unusable computers to use the parts in repair of other computers and maintained lists of computers that were complete and ready to distribute. Ms.

Trammell knew Sooner AMBUCS could not afford to buy parts or software, "so basically we made do with whatever was donated.

But these systems were gold to many."



In 2006, Sooner AMBUCS was awarded a three year grant from the Rehabilitation Services Administration, U.S. Department of Education to expand the program. The grant allowed Sooner AMBUCS to rent a warehouse, purchase limited software licenses, and other needed equipment. When Milissa Gofourth, ABLE Tech Program Manager, presented the award to Adri-Anne Trammell and Linda Durbin she said, "Thousands of Oklahomans with disabilities counted on the program over the years. ASK will be missed."

Oklahoma AT Center Locations

Oklahoma ABLE Tech and partners operate assistive technology (AT) device demonstration and short-term loan programs to increase accessibility to AT. The assistive technology inventory is available and searchable online at <http://oec.okstate.edu/loan/>. Oklahoma ABLE Tech allows individuals to borrow devices for six weeks at no cost.

The Visual Services Center & Low Vision Clinic

DRS Department of Rehabilitation Services
Oklahoma City
405-522-3442

Hearing Loss Association of Oklahoma City
405-717-9820



Mary K. Chapman Center for Communicative Disorders
918-631-2913

career tech
Stillwater 405-743-5162



Stillwater, OK
800-257-1705



Developmental Disabilities Services Division, Tulsa, OK
918-794-7632

Search the inventory:
<http://oec.okstate.edu/loan>



Total Source for Hearing Loss & Access, Tulsa 918-832-8742



Oklahoma City
405-232-4644

Over 1400 Devices!

Focus on ABLE Tech Partners and AT Centers

New View Oklahoma, Oklahoma City

The myReader2 is a new device that NewView is offering for loan. It is the new, improved auto-reader for low vision from HumanWare. It quickly takes images of books or magazine pages and myReader2 rearranges the text onscreen. You choose how you prefer the text to appear, making reading easy again. Zoom out to find where you are on the page, then zoom in to read. Contact NewView at 405-232-4644 for more information on this device.



Mary K. Chapman Center for Communicative Disorders, Tulsa

SpringBoard Plus is an augmented communication device with five integrated versions of pre-stored vocabulary with a special emphasis on those core words that power most speech. There are pre-stored activity row categories and vocabulary plus pages with expanded word sets, and display configurations from a simple 4-key option to 32 keys. Please contact Mary K. Chapman for information about borrowing this device at 918-631-2913.



Hearing Loss Association of Oklahoma, Oklahoma City

HLA has an amplified neckloop headset that is designed to be used with a variety of connectivity cords allowing you to use it as an amplified audio neckloop with a variety of devices including cell phones, cordless telephones, corded telephones w/jacks, iPods, personal listening devices, radios and other sound generating devices. For more information about these devices contact HLA at 405-717-9820.



Oklahoma ABLE Tech, Stillwater

The iPad is a tablet computer designed and developed by Apple. It is particularly marketed as a platform for audio and visual media such as books, periodicals, movies, music, and games, as well as web content. ABLE Tech has installed Proloquo2Go software, which is a solution for people who have difficulty speaking. It brings natural sounding text-to-speech voice and has extreme ease of use. Contact ABLE Tech at 800-257-1705 for more information on borrowing this device.



New Assistive Technology Partnership with TCC

ABLE Tech is pleased to introduce our newest partner, The Children's Center (TCC) in Bethany, Oklahoma. TCC is a state-of-the-art facility for children from birth to age eighteen who have severe disabilities with related health and medical needs. TCC offers short-term inpatient rehabilitation services for children who have had accidents, injuries, or illness and also provides long-term residential care for children who have chronic disabilities. Additionally, TCC provides outpatient therapy services for children who have developmental disabilities and live in the community. ABLE Tech provided TCC with a number of AT devices to address areas such as environmental control, switch mounting, cognition, and



software for language development and early reading. TCC's partnership with ABLE Tech is unique because these devices are used by TCC staff for in-house demonstration with the children they directly serve. They do not loan AT devices through their ABLE Tech program. If you have questions about TCC's partnership or need assistance with an AT demonstration or loan, please contact ABLE Tech at 800 257-1705.



The Special Education Resolution Center (SERC) works collaboratively with the **Oklahoma State Department of Education (OSDE)** to help parents and school districts resolve disputes regarding the special education of students. Through innovative programs, SERC assists parties to resolve their differences at the earliest stage possible. SERC provides highly trained mediators to assist the parties in coming to agreement. In those instances where the parties are unable to resolve their dispute, SERC provides a fair and impartial hearing system. Fair, impartial and knowledgeable hearing officers conduct administrative hearings to settle the differences

of the parties in a timely manner. These processes are in place so that Free and Appropriate Public Education (FAPE) in the least restrictive environment will be available to Oklahoma children.

Be sure and register for the State Superintendents Conference on Special Education in Oklahoma City! Art Cernosia, the special education GURU – will be making a day long presentation on the IDEA, Friday, December 3, 2010. Register by contacting the Oklahoma State Department of Education – Special Education Services at 405 521-4871.

Assistive Technology Success Story



Kevin Janecke is a 59 year old who lost his sight in 1976 due to a gun shot. He lives with Alvin, his fourth guide dog from Leader Dog and Zoe. Kevin likes to come for Computer Assistive Technology (CAT) training at NewView in Oklahoma City so Alvin gets out and gets some exercise.

Kevin is learning to use Window Eyes, an audible screen reader software that allows him to check his email. Also, Kevin uses Microsoft Word to type documents and attach them to emails. He is hoping with his CAT training to take classes at Rose State College in grant writing.

Kevin states that the training he is receiving has helped to increase his self-esteem and decrease his blood pressure. With his increased ability to use assistive technology he is excited about pursuing the grant writing classes. Some ABLE Tech equipment he has tried includes, the Note Teller, a voice recorder, Olympus Digital recorders, Window Eyes, Microsoft Outlook, and Microsoft Word.



The Oklahoma Equipment Exchange is a free program to help Oklahomans with disabilities acquire affordable equipment. Log onto the Equipment Exchange website, <http://oec.okstate.edu>, or call ABLE Tech to list your devices or inquire about products at 888-885-5588. Below is a list of items currently for sale or FREE.

Computers and related

Mouthstick for keyboard - Bendable - FREE

Daily Living

Blood Pressure Monitor, Omron Mod

CPAP, Devilbiss 9000 CPAP Features

Car Door Opener - FREE

Commode - portable bedside

EnteraLite feeding pump, Zevex

Feeding Tube Bags - FREE

Full Body Large Mesh Sling, Never Used

Hospital Bed – Electric

Hydraulic Lift - In-home lifting system

Lift Chair

Mattress

Offset Trapeze Bar-Octagon Tube

Offset contoured spoon LH – FREE

Offset contoured spoon RH – FREE

Oxygen Concentrator - Everflo Q

Patient Lift - Electric

Portable Commode Chair – FREE

Portable Vacu Aide Suction Machine

ResMed VPAP III

Shower Chair w/wheels

Shower Stool

Shower set-up - portable

Snap & Roll Toilet Paper Holder – FREE

Swivel Clamp & Bracket

Shower Bench

Environmental Adaptations

Automatic Door Opener

Portable Ramps, 8 foot aluminum ramps

Hearing

Neckloop Telecoil Coupler for Hearing Aid Users - FREE

Learning, Cognitive, & Developmental

The Margi Presenter-to-Go - FREE

Mobility, Seating & Positioning

Commode - Bedside - FREE

Gait Trainer - Rifton (Adult)

KidWalk Gait Trainer/Stander

Pedal Wheelchair, EZ chair

Pediatric Power WC

Power Chair

Rabbit Pediatric Mobile Stander

Rifton Stander for a Child

Scooter - Go-Go Elite Traveler

Scooter - Golden Companion 3 wheeled

Stander - Youth SuperStand

Standing Frame – Adult

Standing Frame - Easy Stand

Standing Power Chair – Levo

Super Pole w/Trapeze

Superglide StairLift

Vertical Wheelchair Lift

Walker

Walker - Extra Large w/seat

Wheelchair - Elec. Hoveround

Wheelchair - Power – FREE

Wheelchair - Power Jazzy Select

Wheelchair - Power Pronto

Wheelchair - Power

Wheelchair - Quickie IRIS

Wheelchair - Quickie Q7

Wheelchair Power Permobil Brand

Wheelchair Ramp for Home - 9 ft.

Wheelchair Recliner

Wheelchair-Tilt Recline (Power)

Speech Communication

Sock N Stocking Aid – FREE

ZAM Communicator - FREE

Vehicle Modification and Transportation

Bruno Turny w/Carony seat conversion for van

Lockdown System for wc in van

1997 w/lift GMC Savana Conversion

1995 Chevy Hi-Top Conversion w/ lift, Chevrolet

Vision

CCTV MagniSight

20"Color



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We're On The Web!

<http://okabletech.okstate.edu>

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Resources and Events



Seretean Wellness Center
REAL SOLUTIONS FOR REAL PEOPLE

Oklahoma ABLE Tech AT Demo and Loan Program, <http://okabletech.okstate.edu>
AT Equipment Exchange Program, <http://oec.okstate.edu>

Did you know...

30% of Oklahomans with disabilities are employed, compared to 70% without disabilities?

October is Disability Employment Awareness Month. Oklahoma ABLE Tech can provide ideas and assistive technology to help individuals with disabilities find the necessary support to stay employed or to gain employment. Please contact us at 800-257-1705 for more information.

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<http://www.ok.gov/abletech/AIM.html>

Nov. 9, 2010 - ABLE Tech presenting at the Learning Disabilities Association of Oklahoma Conference, Norman

Nov. 17, 2010, 3:30 - 4:30 - FREE Webinar, ABLE Tech presents AT Services for Students. <http://www.ok.gov/abletech/AIM.html>

Dec. 7, 2010 - OATC AT Expo, Broken Arrow. More information on pg. 2

Coming Soon!! ABLE Tech Information Technology Accessibility Training in Oklahoma City, February 2011. For more information call ABLE Tech or check our online calendar at <http://www.okabletech.okstate.edu>.