Assistive Technology

Assistive technology is technology used by individuals with disabilities in order to perform functions that might otherwise be difficult or impossible. Assistive technology can include mobility devices such as walkers and wheelchairs, as well as hardware, software, and peripherals that assist people with disabilities in accessing computers or other information technologies. For example, people with limited hand function may use a keyboard with large keys or a special mouse to operate a computer, people who are blind may use software that reads texton the screen in a computer-generated voice, people with low vision may use software that enlarges screen content, people who are deaf may use a TTY (text telephone), or people with speech impairments may use a device that speaks out loud as they enter text via a keyboard.

PATINS Project

The PATINS Project is an Indiana Department of Education Center for Exceptional Learners assistive technology systems change initiative. PATINS has established lending libraries at each of our five operational sites. Equipment, software, videos, and print materials are available to public school staff for preview and evaluation purposes. In addition, PATINS offers workshops, both onsite and offsite, and offers technical assistance to local school personnel on specific devices. In order to borrow from the library, please contact: Lori Roman, Assistive Technology Coordinator, Phone: 882-2058

Computer Access

Our district provides several ways for students to access a computer. Most use a mouse, but we also have touchwindows, trackballs, kidz mouse, switches, intellikeys alternative keyboards, joystick and voice input.

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