

Powerful, Cost-Effective Assistive Technology for ALL students

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AT Plans

Back-ground

LOCAL PROJECT

OUTCOMES & NEXT STEPS

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Online presentation at www.powerofatech.info/iaase-2

Overview

- Plans and project proposal
 - Local
 - Presentations to Parents and Teachers
 - Implementation - use of RESEARCH-based AT strategies with students
 - Collect data
 - Online follow-up sessions
- Global
 - Big picture on long term plans
 - Wide reach - impact for many kids
 - Website with information on essential AT tools and strategies
 - Training, Conferences, Webinars
 - Website for
 - Implementation and
 - Data collection
- Background
 - About me
 - Occupational Therapist and assistive technology consultant 30+ years
- Experience and problems
 - Worked as an assistive technology consultant for 32 years
 - Worked in MANY districts, programs, classrooms
 - Worked with large variety of students, needs, situations
 - Technology is exploding
 - More cost effective
 - More powerful

- Students have more hardware in their hands
 - Using more technology "generally"
 - BUT not using it optimally
 - Not using the power or functions and features
 - Not using what they already have in district
 - Teachers and students are not aware of many AT options
 - Many FREE and LOW-COST options
- GOALS
 - WISE use of AT = Student Achievement
 - DATA to show it
 - Simple, quick methods for gathering effective, useful data
- LOCAL PROJECT
 - Training workshops
 - Parents
 - Educators
 - Teachers
 - OT's
 - SLP's
 - Other...
- Details
 - Power of Speech for Learning
 - www.powerofspeech.info
 - Hands on
 - Simple, effective technology
 - Readily available
 - Data collection
 - Online follow-up sessions
- OUTCOMES AND NEXT STEPS
 - Follow-up
 - Feedback from Participants
 - Suggestions from Participants
 - Review of Data and ongoing work
 - Development of additional information websites
- Local outcomes
 - Will students continue using the tools and technology?
 - Progress and achievement using the tools and strategies?
- Global Outcome
 - Students using AT more effectively for independence and achievement at their full potential!