Assistive Technology Resources

Please note that the California Department of Education does not endorse the use of any product. This appendix is not intended to provide a comprehensive list of assistive technology resources. It is the responsibility of a student's education team to explore and try out the tools to determine the best match for a student.
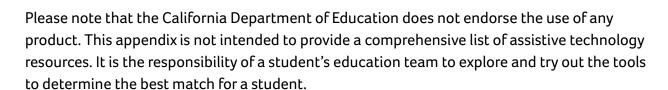
Low-Tech Tools

Reading rulers, highlighting tape; alternate pens, pencils, fidgets, and so forth:

- Nasco
- Therapy Shoppe
- Amazon

Spelling Tools

- Ginger Software
- Grammarly
- American WORDSPELLER and Phonetic Dictionary

Reading Tools

- Bookshare
- Learning Ally
- Kurzweil Education
- Snap&Read Start-to-Finish Books
- Texthelp (Read&Write and Fluency Tutor)

Writing/Notetaking Tools

- Co:Writer Universal
- WordQ and SpeakQ
- Clicker
- Kidspiration/Inspiration
- Livescribe Smartpens
- Sonocent AudioNotetaker

Assessment Tools

The following tools can help determine which type of reading and writing assistive technology best fits a student's needs:

- Universal Protocol for Accommodations in Reading
- DeCoste Writing Protocol

Applications for iPad and Google Chrome

- Apps for Dyslexia and Learning Disabilities
- OT's with Apps & Technology
- Digital Learning Tools from Common Sense Education
- iPad Apps for Learners with Dyslexia or Reading and Writing Difficulties