

BASIC GUIDE TO ADA EQUIPMENT/SOFTWARE IN RESOURCE ROOM

Read & Write Gold: textHELP

Designed to provide help to computer users with reading & writing difficulties. It can read text aloud and help you construct words and sentences. It also has many other features, such as advanced spell checking, document scanning and Internet tools, to name but a few.

Features:

-Phonetic Spell Checker	-Word Prediction
-Dictionary	-Display Homophones
-Hear Homophones	-Hide Homophones
-Calculator	-Read Previous
-Speak Text	-Pause Speech
-Read Next	-Stop Speech
-Scanning	-Fact Folder
-Fact Finder	-Speech Input (Voice Recognizer)
-Help Files	

JAWS for Windows 5.0

Screen reading software

Provides access to today's popular applications for blind and visually impaired individuals. When visiting websites or using various applications, JAWS reads aloud everything on the page in detail. Voice can be adjusted for speed and pitch.

ZoomText 8.1

Zoom Text is a powerful computer access solution for vision-impaired individuals. Consisting of two adaptive technologies--screen magnification and screen reading---Zoom Text allows you to see and hear everything on the computer screen, providing complete access to applications, documents, email and the Internet. When you double-click on ZoomText you make it active and everything on screen will be enlarged. The menu bar to make adjustments automatically opens up so that you can change the amount of magnification, etc.

MyTTY 3.0

Computer software that communicates with TTYs (telephone communication devices for deaf and speech impaired people)

IntelliKeys USB Keyboard

This is an alternate to the standard keyboard. Intellikeys is an adaptive keyboard. Instead of pressing keys on a standard keyboard, users touch a printed overlay that has been placed over a touch-sensitive panel. Areas on the printed overlay correspond to keys on a standard keyboard and mouse buttons. By using these overlays a person can type, enter numbers, navigate on-screen displays, and execute menu commands. There are 7 standard overlays that come with the Intellikeys keyboard.