Special Education Technology Center

Assistive Technology (AT) Consideration Flowchart

Key Questions for the IEP Team: Is the student making adequate progress on annual goals and does the student have equitable access to general education curricula?

YES
Is the student currently using assistive technology (AT)?

NO
Does the team have the necessary data to determine the need for AT?

Yes
The student is currently using AT. AT is needed.

No
The student is not currently using AT. AT is not needed.

YES
Consider the data & determine if AT is needed

NO
Trials of AT tools are needed to gather the data necessary to decide if AT is required.

Document in the IEP that AT device(s) is needed. Include AT services and training if needed

Document in the IEP that AT is not needed. Include a rationale.

Document the team's decision in the IEP. Include a rationale and AT devices, services, & training if needed.

Document the team's decision in the IEP. A Prior Written Notice may be needed.

Resource to Guide AT Consideration Discussions: AT Consideration Guide