

Enabling Student Success Through Assistive Technologies in the Classroom

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Georgia Virtual School Statistics

- As of Spring 2011, Georgia Virtual School is currently serving 143 students who have a 504 or IEP.
- As of Spring 2011, the 143 students being served in the Georgia Virtual School, 68% are being served in core content courses and 32% are being served in elective areas.
- Fall 2010, Georgia Virtual School successfully served 121 students who have a 504 or IEP with a 81% average pass rate in core content courses and elective courses.



Georgia Virtual School Goals for Students with Special Needs

- Enable and empower student success in the classroom through the use of technologies and assistive technologies.
- Sharing of best practices around how we leverage the use of technologies to assist students with special needs and to differentiate instruction in the face-to-face classroom or in the online environment.
- Work with schools to provide IEP and 504 assistance.

HOW DO WE ACCOMPLISH THIS.....



Assistive Technology Resources

Visual: Braille Lite, Duxbury, Win Braille, Pictures in a Flash, Aladdin Apex, MAGic Screen Magnification, JAWS Screen Reader

Auditory: Hearing Aids, Sound Field System, TDD, Closed Captioning



Content Development and Differentiation

GaVS courses are designed with the learner in mind...

- Courses have embedded audio, visual, and kinesthetic cues for multiple learning styles as well as aligned to the GPS.
- Courses are designed with differentiation in mind when it comes to student demonstration of knowledge when assessing.
- The LMS allows for extended time if needed on assignments or assessments.
- The synchronous learning tool Elluminate allows student to re-access teacher instruction.



Resources

- Georgia Virtual Learning (www.gavirtualllearning.org)
- Georgia Virtual School (www.gavirtualschool.org)
- Georgia Credit Recovery (www.gacreditrecovery.org)

Questions/Feedback???

