Assistive Technology Partnership with Tools for Life Portal

Below is the link for the Assistive Technology Partnership with Tools for Life Portal.

The portal access is limited to Special Education Directors and their designee(s). Please protect this portal link and share only with those in your district you want to authorize to request services on behalf of your district through this partnership between the Georgia Department of Education and Tools for Life.

Registration is required for portal use. Once registered and approved by Tools for Life, authorized users will receive an email with additional information about creating an account password, using the portal, the services and this partnership.

Log into the Assistive Technology Request Portal to set up your new user/new profile information using this link and click submit. Once approved (this is for security purposes), you will receive an email with additional information to set up a password for your account and portal use. Account approval is not automated and may take up to 24 hours.

Key Points:

- The portal is designed to provide one-stop access to request services through this partnership
- Districts/authorized users should never disclose student names, identifying details or personally identifiable information (PII) through the portal or any other element of this partnership
- District designated contacts may request the following services through the portal (at no cost to districts):
  - Consulting
    - Consultation Services by Tools for Life staff via telephone and/or email
    - Consultation provided based on information provided by district contact
    - Onsite consultation will not be conducted
    - Request for consultation services is not an assistive technology evaluation and information provided should not be used as such.
  - Software (Initial software request must be: (1) submitted by special education director (2) submitted for entire district (3) requested only for use by students who have an Individualized Education Program (IEP). Each product must be requested individually.
    - Read & Write texthelp®
    - EquatIO texthelp®
    - WriQ texthelp®
- Assistive Technology Loan Library
  - Assistive technology loan period of two – four weeks
  - Loans made on first come, first serve basis
  - A variety of AT equipment

- Ed-Trade (inter-district AT equipment exchange/transfer, sell, loan)
  - Coming soon
  - Georgia K-12 data-base to support districts lending or repurposing unused assistive technology
  - Participating districts can decide whether they want to lend or repurpose their unused assistive technology to a local Georgia district as a cost-saving measure through a written Memorandum of Understanding.
  - Responsibility would rest with the participating Local Education Agency (LEA) to develop local policies and procedures to address asset sharing and inventory controls.

We are looking forward to working with each of you in the upcoming months!

Thank you,
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