

LEARNING DISABILITIES AND ATTENTION DEFICIT DISORDER RESOURCE LIST

This is a partial list of resources and does not constitute an endorsement for any specific organization or product by the publisher. There are many other resources available.

Coordinated Campaign for Learning Disabilities

A comprehensive web site for information on Learning Disabilities and ADHD run by PBS.
1 888 GRS-MIND
www.ldonline.org

Children and Adults with Attention Deficit Disorder

www.chadd.org

Learning Disabilities Association of America

(412) 341-1515 Maryland (800) 799-4533
www.ldanatl.org www.ldamd.org

Orton International

(410) 296-0232 (800) ABCD123
www.interdys.org

National Association for the Education of African American Children with Learning Disabilities

(614) 237-6021
www.aacld.org

National Center for Learning Disabilities

(212) 525-7510
www.nclld.org

Council for Learning Disabilities

(913) 491-1011
www.cldinternational.org

MARYLAND

State Department of Education

(419) 767-0238
www.msde.state.md.us

Maryland Disability Law Center

(410) 727-6352 (800) 233-7201
www.mdclbalto.org

Parent's Place

(410) 768-9100
www.ppmmd.org

ADHD: Identification and Management Guide

Baltimore County Public Schools
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www.bcps.org

ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGIES

Children and adults with diagnosed LD/ADHD may be eligible to use assistive technologies for reading, writing, math, spelling and attention as 504 and ADA "a reasonable accommodation to a handicapping condition".

At Last: Maryland Assistive Technology Co-op

(401) 381-COOP
www.matcoop.org

Discounted prices for assistive technology
They also offer technology workshops.

Maryland Technology Assistance Program

(800) 832-4827
www.mdmap.org
highly knowledgeable about assistive technologies for people with learning disabilities and ADHD
They also have a low interest loan program for people to purchase assistive technologies.

Learning Independence through Computers

(410) 659-5462
www.linc.org

Fun and educational computer activities and assistive technologies for children and adults with LD and other disabilities. Membership fee of \$100 may be negotiated

READING TECHNOLOGIES

AUDIO BOOKS

Maryland State Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped

(410) 230-2424 (800) 964-9209
www.lbph.lib.md.us

They offer free equipment and an extensive library of audio books. People with diagnosed reading disabilities are eligible. Applications are available at all public libraries. They are affiliated with the Library of Congress services for people with special needs.

Recordings for the Blind and Dyslexic

(866) RFBD-585 (866) 732-3585

www.rfbd.org

They offer academic and pleasure audio books for people who are blind or have diagnosed reading disabilities. Materials are loaned free with membership. Membership fee may be negotiated.

COMPUTER READING SYSTEMS

There are many computer reading software systems use "text to speech" which are being used successfully to help adults and children with reading disabilities. The cost ranges from \$50 to \$2,000 +. Check the web sites, i.e. LD Online, At Last: Maryland Assistive Technology Co-op, & Maryland Technology Assistance Program. Microsoft has a free "text to speech" program built into the software under accessibility menu.

Kurzweil

(800) 894-5374 (range \$1,500+)

www.kurzweiledu.com

textHelp

(800) 248-0652 (range \$300+)

www.texthelp.com

Textaloud (range \$50+)

www.nextup.com (low-cost technologies)

WRITING TECHNOLOGIES

Portable keyboards that are durable and can download on IBM or Apple for around \$200+; free trial offer may be available.

Neo2 (replaced Alpha Smart)

(800) 338-4204 (check for free trials)

www.renlearn.com

Writer Learning Systems

(800) 797-7121

www.keyboardinstructor.com

COMPUTER DICTATING PROGRAMS

Dragon Dictate Naturally Speaking is used extensively but check computer software resources for recommendations. Microsoft has system built in free.

ADDITIONAL TECHNOLOGY & RESOURCES

Inspiration (about \$70 check for free trials)

Widely used program to help with organization

www.inspiration.com

Franklin Learning Resources

(800) 266-5626

www.franklin.com

Extensive variety of spelling machines and learning aids helpful to adults and children with LD

ADHD Distraction Reducing Technology

Hearit (800) 298-7184

www.hearitllc.com

This has been successful in reducing distractions to help children and adults focus in class and work. There is a free 30 day trial.

Irlen Institute

(562) 496-2550

www.irlen.com

Method identifies those with perceptual processing problems and eliminates the problem using colored overlays and Irlen Spectral Filters.

ADD WareHouse

(800) 233-9273

www.addwarehouse.com

Extensive catalog of books, audio and video tapes on ADD issues. Some have discounted prices for adults with ADD and parents of children with ADD/ADHD.

ADD WEBSITE FOR WOMEN

www.ADDvance.com

Web site specifically for girls and women with ADHD

LD CHAT

www.ldpride.net

RECOMMENDED AUTHORS

Larry Silver, Sally Smith, Russell Barkley, Kathleen Nadeau

RECOMMENDED VIDEOS

"How Difficult Can this Be?" (FAT City)

This is the classic video in the field providing an experience of being learning disabled. Available through PBS for \$50.

ADHD in Adults

Russell Barkley's excellent overview on ADHD in adults. It is available through the ADD WareHouse for with some videos may be discounted for people with ADHD.

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