

Continuity of Instruction Access for Students with Visual Impairment, Learning Disabilities

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- Desktop Computer:
 - o English Click Here:
https://learningally.org/Portals/6/Docs/Link/LA_LinkGettingStarted.pdf
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https://learningally.org/Portals/6/Docs/TeacherResources/LearningAlly_AudiobookApp_Guide_Spanish.pdf
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 - o [English](#) click here:
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https://learningally.org/Portals/6/Docs/TeacherResources/LearningAlly_AudiobookApp_Guide_Spanish.pdf

Refreshable Braille Note-Taking Device ie: “BrailleNote Touch” or “Apex”

- Students who are currently using BrailleNote Touch for note taking are advised to continue use for completing assignments at home.

i-Ready Accessibility

- Students with Disabilities who follow a standard and modified curriculum are to continue to use i-Ready while at home.
- Directions for utilizing the accessibility features for i-Ready can be found by clicking on the following link: https://drive.google.com/file/d/196AUZMp_xXtDY0Fou_mvuN8JnQ-mZLlx/view

Microsoft Magnifier

- Students who elect to take home a M-DCPS device will utilize the Microsoft Office Platform.
- The “Magnifier” feature allows the user to make part or all of the screen bigger in order to see words and images better.
- Directions for using the “Magnifier” feature can be found by clicking on the following link:
<https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/help/11542/windows-use-magnifier-to-make-things-easier-to-see>

Note:

- Students with Disabilities who have a Visual Impairment and follow a standard curriculum are to complete the same learning activities as outlined in the Instructional Continuity Plan (ICP).
- Students with Disabilities who have a Visual Impairment and follow a modified curriculum are to complete the same learning activities as outlined in the Instructional Continuity Plan (ICP) and may refer to Appendix F (p.30) for detailed instructions to access online programs.