

Strengthening Instruction for Students with SPECIAL NEEDS: Best Technology Tools, Strategies and Resources



A Unique One-Day Live Online Seminar Presented by

Toby Karten

Award-Winning Teacher, Presenter and Author of Building on the Strengths of Students with Special Needs (ASCD), Inclusion Strategies & Interventions (Solution Tree) and Inclusion Strategies That Work! (Corwin Press)

Specifically Designed for Grades K-12: General Education Teachers, Special Education Staff and Other Related Staff and Specialists and Interventionists Who Work With Students with Special Needs

Practical digital tools, highly effective classroom strategies and helpful tech resources that strengthen learning for students with special needs

Powerful ways technology supports IEP goals with **learner-specific adaptations, strategies and resources**

Engaging, easy-to-use tech tools to help remove barriers for students across IDEA categories and LRE continuums

High-yield online academic supports for literacy, mathematics and content area instruction to **help students with diverse learning needs who have fallen behind catch up**

LIVE ONLINE SEMINARS

February 15

9 AM Central, 8 AM Mountain, 7 AM Pacific, 10 AM Eastern

February 28

9 AM Eastern, 8 AM Central, 7 AM Mountain, 6 AM Pacific

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"I now have more tools in my toolbox than ever and a great list of a-z takeaways from this seminar!"

– STEPHANIE RECORE, TEACHER

Ten Key Benefits of Attending

'The content of Toby's seminar is incredibly useful.'

— BRAD RUI, SPECIAL ED.
ADMINISTRATOR



1. **Make Best Use of Technology to Enhance Learning for Students with Special Needs**

Learn a wide variety of practical tech options with interactive websites, visuals for academic vocabulary, virtual tools, Chrome extensions, and more to strengthen the learning for your students with special needs

2. **Explore Savvy Ways to Increase Students' Academic, Social and Communicative Skills**

Discover the best tech tools for different populations of learners to help them more effectively process, retain and apply learning

3. **Help Your Students with Special Needs Who Have Fallen Behind Catch Up**

Expand your personal repertoire of high impact tech tools and strategies to advance the knowledge and skills of students with special needs who have fallen behind

4. **Strengthen Your Instructional Planning and Assessment**

Learn dozens of online strategies, tools and resources to more effectively plan for, document and assess students with special needs

5. **Monitor Interventions and Student Progress Toward IEP Goals More Efficiently**

Document how and when services, accommodations and modifications are given using digital portfolios, easy-to-implement tech tools, collaborative record-keeping, and learner profiles for more efficient progress monitoring, feedback and reflection

6. **Enhance Your Students' Specially Designed Instruction**

Learn practical, effective ways technology can help provide instruction that matches each student's specially designed instruction with appropriate scaffolding and adaptations

7. **Plan High Impact Lessons with Multi-Tiered Learning Targets**

Learn innovative ways to use whole class, small group and individualized instruction with linguistic and nonlinguistic digital tools, strategies and resources that promote increased engagement and ongoing independence for students with special needs

8. **Establish Appropriate Online Procedures to Match Special Learning Needs**

Learn timesaving tech tools and high-impact ways to align your practices to the characteristics and baseline levels of students with specific differences; dyslexia, dysgraphia, dyscalculia, ADHD, autism, emotional, sensory, and developmental, speech-language, and physical skill sets, and more

9. **Capitalize on the Strengths, Interests and Preferences of Your Students with Special Needs**

Discover a variety of the best online activities and tools that honor concrete, representational, abstract, and virtual ways to "do it, see it, link it, and own it" with visual, auditory, kinesthetic-tactile modalities, art, music, and movement

10. **Receive an Extensive Digital Resource Handbook**

Each participant will receive an extensive digital resource handbook packed with online instructional techniques, digital tools and helpful tech resources to strengthen the instruction for students with special needs

Who Should Attend

Grades K-12: General Education Teachers, Special Education Staff and Other Related Staff and Specialists and Interventionists Who Work With Students with Special Needs

Outstanding Strategies You Can Use Immediately

What You Will Learn ...

- **Practical ways to make the best use of high-tech and low-tech tools** to increase learning for students with special needs
- **Ways to incorporate the best tech tools to help students** who have fallen behind during COVID-19 catch up
- **How to facilitate a learning environment with tech norms and protocols** for engagement and accountability
- **Ways to use technology tools and resources** to develop more confident, self-regulated learners
- **Online and offline supports** for learners who may be more distractible and inattentive
- **Proven ways to match digital tools to the literacy levels** of students with special needs
- **Dozens of ways to interest and motivate students** while building confidence and competence to independently use technology tools
- **Ways to more quickly match synchronous and asynchronous digital tools to the literacy and math levels** of students with special needs to increase access and fluency
- **Strategies to capitalize on student strengths** by “checking in” with students online with special needs before they “check out” offline
- **Ways to make the best use of cutting-edge tools** for smoothly and effectively managing technology-infused K-12 differentiated lessons
- **How to develop and reflectively nurture positive relationships** with your students with special needs
- **Ways to use technology to build social and emotional skills** to increase peer connections and self-efficacy



‘I really appreciated Toby’s engaging ‘can do’ attitude.’

– MIA SMITH, SPECIAL ED. TEACHER

Practical Ideas and Strategies

In this unique **NEW** seminar, you will be equipped with the best, most current tech tools for enhancing learning for students with special needs. Award-winning special educator, presenter and author **Toby Karten** will share numerous classroom-tested tech tools, strategies and helpful resources designed to advance the academic and social-emotional learning of learners with special needs. Toby will share the most effective low-tech and high-tech tips, tricks and clicks to save you valuable time and help you develop plans with “how to” and “who for” implementation steps. You’ll learn learner-specific online strategies to more efficiently document how and when services, accommodations and modifications are given so that progress toward a student’s IEP goals is continually monitored online. **This seminar is appropriate for general and special education teachers and related staff who are seeking proven ways technology can best be used to strengthen the learning for students with special needs.**



A Message From Seminar Leader, Toby Karten



Uniquely Qualified Instructor

TOBY KARTEN is an award-winning special educator, dynamic presenter and author who is passionate in sharing her knowledge with others. She has taught students ranging from preschool to high school across the least restrictive continuum. Toby works with school districts across the country and internationally as a staff developer, inclusion coach and educational consultant in helping educators enhance the in-person and online learning success of students with special needs. Toby focuses on creative, practical solutions for helping ALL students gain not only access, but also ongoing successes in inclusion classrooms as well as in online and hybrid learning environments. She is the author of *Strengthening Instruction for Students With Special Needs: Best Technology Tools, Strategies and Resources*, the extensive digital resource handbook each participant will receive at the seminar. Additional authorships include *Building on the Strengths of Students with Special Needs* and *Inclusion Strategies That Work! Research-Based Methods for the Classroom*. Toby has also authored and edited numerous books and quick reference guides on the topics of co-teaching and inclusion classrooms.

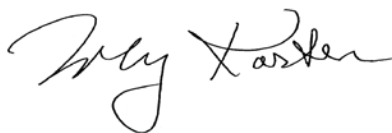
Dear Colleague:

It has been my experience in the classroom as a special educator, my work as an inclusion coach and as an educational consultant that the learning successes of students with special needs are largely dependent on the preparation of educators who deliver instruction with the essential knowledge and skills that address the individualized levels of each student.

I have designed this seminar to share with you the most effective digital tools, strategies and tech resources I have found to strengthen the learning experience of students with special needs. During our day together we will explore practical ways students with learning or attention differences, emotional, social, or behavioral needs, or communication, developmental, physical, or sensory differences can best be supported to succeed in all learning environments. Together, we will explore the what, how and why for certain best practices and how specific digital and online tools work better for students with specific differences and the scaffolding and resources that will make that happen. We will venture well beyond simply familiarizing you with these great tools to show you highly practical ways to best utilize these to equip you to more effectively reach students at their specific levels. Yes, there are obstacles and challenges, but there are also readily available solutions!

I look forward to meeting you at the seminar and sharing numerous outstanding digital strategies and resources you'll be able to use immediately to increase the success of your students with special needs.

Sincerely,



Toby Karten

P.S. I have successfully used a variety of technology tools to create engaging lessons for students in inclusive classrooms to accelerate their learning. I can't wait to share these with you, since **teaching students with special needs is my passion.**

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What Your Colleagues Say About Toby Karten

*"I took away **great ideas and some fantastic tools!** The day flew by!"*

– Ann Marie Flynn, Special Ed. Teacher

*"Toby presented the **best seminar I have ever taken.**"*

– Christie Warner, Teacher

*"**Toby is an amazing instructor and provides a wealth of information** that is easy to understand and will be so helpful going into the school year. I'm ready to start with my toolbox full!"*

– Angela Bartelli, Special Ed. Teacher

*"**Toby is so positive and insightful.** I feel empowered with all of the helpful tools and strategies she shared."*

– Hope McCarthy, Special Education Teacher

*"This was very informative and interactive. **I appreciated the variety of tools provided and the comfortable atmosphere.**"*

– Joslyn Mabie, Special Education Teacher



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'Toby presents a great seminar. She shared many helpful resources that I am excited to use when I return to my classroom.'

– TARA BILLINGS, SPECIAL ED. TEACHER

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Extensive Digital Resource Handbook

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- Best practices and digital tools for lesson planning, instruction and assessment for students with special needs
- Tech tools and paired strategies to support and empower students who have special needs to better handle academic demands; e.g., reading, writing, mathematics, and K-12 curriculum
- Ways to use digital tools and other feedback to support each learner's social, emotional and behavioral needs and skill sets
- Hands-on, minds-on, online resources and strategies across the content areas that support access and accountability for students with special needs in grades K-12

Share Ideas with Other Educators

This seminar provides a wonderful opportunity for participants to share ideas with other educators interested in making the best use of technology to strengthen their program for students with special needs.

Consultation Available

Toby Karten will be available to answer your specific questions and the unique needs of your own program.

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- or—
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