

SETC Update: Assistive Technology & Inclusion

May 2026 Update

Spring 2026 Opportunities

Neurodiversity-Affirming Schools (Book Study)

- **Dates:** Wednesdays, May 6 – June 10, 2026
- **Time:** 11:00–12:00 PM
- **Cost:** \$25 (receive the book through SETC) [Currently \\$23 on Amazon](#)
- **Focus:** Practical shifts to create schools where all students feel accepted, supported, and belong
- [Registration Link](#)

AAC Collaboration Corner: Free Resources & Idea Exchange

- **Date:** June 4, 2026
- **Cost:** Free
- **Focus:** Share and explore free AAC tools, strategies, and real classroom ideas
- [Link to Learn More](#)

Fall 2026 Opportunities

AT & AAC Office Hours

- **Date:** October 6, 2026
- **Cost:** Free
- **Focus:** Open support for teams—bring questions, students, or systems challenges

UDL Leadership: Professional Learning & Coaching

- **Focus:** Build sustainable, Tier 1 inclusive systems through UDL, AT, and accessible design
- **Includes:** Leadership sessions + coaching support for implementation
- **Cost:** -\$25/Session
- [Link to Learn more](#)

Explore What's Possible: SETC Exploratorium

Hands-on exploration of assistive & accessible technology for educators & families

- Tools for communication (AAC), literacy, access, and regulation
- Designed for educators *and* families
- Supports Tier 1–3 decision-making

 [Exploratorium Walkthrough Video](#) & [Link to Exploratorium](#)

How to use it in your district:

- Team exploration during PLCs or staff meetings
 - Support IEP teams in identifying tools to trial
 - Share with families as a starting point for access
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Quick Reminders for School Leaders

Supporting access is a system-level responsibility. Key reminders:

- AT must be **considered for every student with an IEP**
- Access to **grade-level curriculum** is the goal—not a separate track
- Communication supports (including AAC) are **for instruction, not just therapy**
- Build **staff capacity**, not just tool access

 [3 Reminders for School Leaders handout](#) & [Video overview \(3 min\)](#)



How SETC Can Support Your District

- **Professional Learning** (team-based, practical, inclusive design)
- **AT Lending Library** (trial before purchase)
- **Technical Assistance** (student, classroom, or system-level)
- **Universal Supports** (ready-to-use resources like the Exploratorium)

Support your educators & families in learning about assistive technology and AAC. Access is not an add-on—it's how we design from the start so every student can participate, communicate, and belong.