Adaptive and Assistive Equipment





Filling Gaps in Perception, Communication, and Vision

Adaptive equipment and assistive technology can help students with disabilities engage and participate more effectively in life, both in and out of the classroom. Equipped with these extra tools and resources, students can do more, experience more, and expand in their abilities. The Special Education Foundation (SEF) is able to provide funding for specialized equipment through a grant from the Tilles Foundation, serving students from Special School District up to age 21. The Foundation's aim is to help enhance the education and/or independence and quality of life for those in financial need of augmentative devices, adaptive equipment, hearing aids, eyeglasses, and others.

How It Works

- Teachers begin the process by completing the application on the SEF website.
- SEF will contact the parent or guardian once an application is received, and the parent will complete the next steps form and provide their most recent tax return, Form 1040 (pages 1-2).
- Approval is determined by key SEF staff, and will consult with SSD specialists where needed.
- Once approved, SEF will order and deliver equipment to the Special School District.

With the Special Education Foundation's Adaptive and Assistive Equipment program, families and teachers can utilize the tools the students need for the classroom and beyond while alleviating any financial burden from costly equipment. Learn more about the Special Education Foundation and the Adaptive and Assistive Equipment program.

"Thank you for the hearing aids. They have opened a world of hearing for me." ~ Jennifer S.

