Benefits of Technology in the Educational Setting

- **Allows for students to learn at their own pace**
- **Give teachers, parents, and students great educational resources at their finger tips**
- **Connects students to their classroom, classmates, and other classrooms around the world.**
- **Provides education in a different variety of ways**
- **Allows for easy tracking and assessment**
- **Help to engage and interest the students**

For Parents

Socrative: Allow for students to work through different educational exercises and games at home. While progress made can be tracked by teachers. (Global Digital). Free at the App Store and for other app providers (App Store).
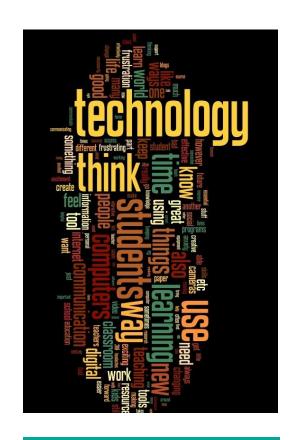
PBS Learning Media: Online website that allows assess to different educational videos, and games to help children grow academically (Edshelf). Free for all parents, children, and educators (PBS.org)

ABCya: Online website or free app that provides educational games that help with math, reading, and writing (App Store). Split up into different grade levels for easy learning (Common Sense Media)

StarFall: Online website or free app that helps children to expand their reading abilities (App Store). An online phonics and reading program that helps students to grow in their reading (HomeSchoolMom).

OpenStudy: Helps to encourage students to work together in order to help better understand class materials (GDCF). Available at the App Store for free (App Store).

Gorckit: Helps students to track their skill data, to target and work on their weaknesses, and to have study sessions with their classmates all while at home (GDCF). Cost $99.99 at Grockit.com. (Grockit.com)

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For Teachers

Flocabulary: Provide educational videos and songs that promote learning in a fun and enjoyable way (Teach for the Heart) Available for teachers for $96 a year or school for $1,600 (Focabulary)

GoNoodle: An educational website that provides brain breaks for teacher to use with in the classroom (Teach for the Heart). Helps to promote focus by providing different videos that use physical activity. Free or $99 a year for *GoNoodle Plus* (Edsurge).

Planbook.com: Helps to make lesson planning easy and organized (Teach from the Heart). Designed to replace paper planners and provides online resources to help be organized (Teacher Cast). Free online program that cost $12 dollars a year.

Boardmaker: An online communication display maker that allows teachers to create displays and lessons to be used in the classroom. Easy and organized for easy use. (Aidis Trust). Costing at $399 (Mayer Johnson)

Smart/Active Board: An in class device that allows for teachers to access the internet and project it onto a large board. Allowing for all the students to be able to see and manipulate (Top Ten Reviews). Costing anywhere form $1000- 5000 (Amazon).

Video Data Projector: Device that transfers desired image or video on to screen. Allow teachers to present different forms of educational media to their students. Costing anywhere form $200- 1500 dollars (PCMag).

For Students

Proloquo2Go: Communication app for children with autism. Assessable through the App Store, costing $189 (App Store). Allows students to communicate though touch-to-speech with symbols and sounds (Friendship Circle).

iComm: Commination app for students who struggle with communication. Allows for statements through audio, images, and voice recording (Friendship Circle) Free at the apps store, for upgrade $7.99 (App Store)

Let's Learn Emotions: An app that provides flashcards, matching, and discussion which help students recognize and regulate emotions (Friendship Circle). Can be found on the App Store for $2.99 (App Store).

My Memory App: Helps to promote memory with children who struggle to recall information. Provides games and puzzles that allows for memory work (Friendship Circle) Can be found at the App Store for $1.99 (App Store)

GoTalk Pocket: This is a communication add that is totally portable. Has six different message buttons and 10 seconds for 30 recording messages (Mayer Johnson). This device can be bought on Amazon for $ 159 (Amazon).

Clickers: Student response systems that allow them to resound to prompted questions given by the instructor. A fast and easy way to test and assess students' knowledge. (Meridia) They price anywhere from $800-$1000, depending on classroom size (Amazon).

ePals: Is an online data base that allows anyone to connect with others anywhere. (GDFC). Classrooms can connect and share with other classrooms, like electronic pen pal. (Anchor Technology Tomorrow).

Edublog/Kidsblog: Is a safe and secure website that allows for students to set up and share about their class (GDFC). They can also communicate though writing and sharing with their classmates, all which is monitored by their teachers (Anchor Technology Tomorrow).