

# Questions to ask the school about assistive technology (AT) for your child

Asking these questions can help you be a partner in finding the best AT tools for your child.

## Assistive technology and your child's needs

- How will AT help my child work around challenges and learn more successfully?
- Which of my child's strengths will work well with certain tools or devices?
- What will be done to make sure the AT is included in my child's regular lessons?
- How will we know if AT is helping my child at school?
- Will my child's AT be reevaluated every year?

## Assessment of assistive technology

- Is there a qualified professional on staff who can assess tools and pick the right one?
- If not, what outside professional will choose my child's AT?
- What happens at the evaluation and what will be included in the report?
- Will my child be able to try out various tools and devices?
- How long does it take to get the tools after they're agreed on?
- What happens if the selected device or tool isn't meeting my child's needs?

## Assistive technology settings and situations

- Who will train my child to use the tool, and who else will be trained?
- When will my child use AT? Will my child be able to use it during tests?
- Can my child use the tool at home (for homework) and during breaks?
- Who's responsible for maintaining, fixing, or replacing the device?
- What happens to the tool if we change schools or if my child moves up to a new school?