IT'S A BRAVE NEW WORLD: DIGITAL EDUCATION AND THE ADHD STUDENT

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DIGITAL EDUCATION

- ASSIGNMENTS
- TEXTBOOKS AND MATERIALS
- WORKING ONLINE
- ONLINE ASSESSMENTS
- ONLINE ESSAYS
- ONLINE GRADES
- ONLINE ORGANIZATION
- IEP/504 PLANS
- OTHER THINGS TO CONSIDER

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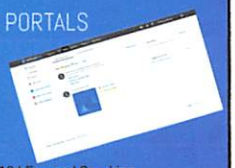
ASSIGNMENTS

- OLD SCHOOL
  - Blackboard and Planners
- DIGITAL SCHOOL – ELCTRONIC PORTALS
  - School Websites
  - Google Classroom
  - NetClassroom
  - Schoology



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IF IT LOOKS TO GOOD TO BE TRUE...

- LACK OF UNIFORMITY/TEACHER REQUIREMENTS
  - Multiple Portals
  - Multiple Areas Within A Portal
- SCHOOL CAN NOW BE 24/7
  - Student – Teacher E-mail
  - Posting of Assignments/Notices
  - Changes to Assignments
  - Late Night/Early Morning/Weekend Due Dates
- CAN'T GET ONLINE? WHAT THEN?

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TEXTBOOKS AND MATERIALS

- ONLINE TEXTBOOKS
  - Must Be Connected to the Web
  - Comprehension Difficulties
  - Writing Notes/Annotating
  - Maneuverability
  - Actual Use?

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TEXTBOOKS AND MATERIALS

- NO TEXTBOOKS / ONLINE MATERIALS
  - Must Be Connected to the Web
  - Failure to Print/Refer Back To
  - How Do You Study?
  - Accessibility
  - Lack of Easy Resource for Reference/Learning

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DOING YOUR HOMEWORK ONLINE

- Difficulty of Homework and Materials Being Online
  - Back and Forth/Two Screens
  - Easier to take the Easy Way Out ?
- Must Be Connected to the Web
- Must Hit Submit
- Writing/Keyboarding

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ONLINE ASSESSMENTS

- Difficulty in Applying Certain Strategies
- Nowhere to Organize Thoughts/Outline
- Increased Use of Multiple Choice Questions
- Favors Students Who Keyboard Well
- Students Don't Always See Corrected Test

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ONLINE ESSAYS

- To Outline or Not to Outline ...
- Difficulties With Editing Online
- Often Receive Grade But No Comments
- Spell Check/Grammarly – Beware!

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ONLINE GRADES

- See Up To The Minute Grades
- Self-Advocacy Skills
- Addicting?
- Motivation?
- Excuse?
- Increased Anxiety?

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ONLINE ORGANIZATION

- TAKING NOTES
  - Word, Google Docs, EverNote
  - Adding Visuals
- REVIEW/STUDY GUIDES
  - Turning Review Sheet Into A Working Document
  - Cut And Paste
- COMPUTER ORGANIZATION
  - Programs/Apps
  - Folders
  - Keeping Up

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IEP/504 PLANS

- Paper Copies of Online Assessments With Tests
- Paper for Writing Thoughts, Outlines, Computations
- Take Written Tests Instead of Online
- Printed Copies of all Materials Before Presented
- Uniform System Re Posting of Assignments
- Hard Copies of Textbooks
- Assistance with Computer Organization
- Keyboard Instruction

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OTHER THINGS TO CONSIDER

- Keyboarding Skills are Now Absolutely Critical
- Implications of Calculator Use During Tests
  - Middle and High School Students Who Don't Know Multiplication Tables or How to do Long Division

- Opportunities for Self-Advocacy
  - E-Mail Teachers With Questions
  - Submit Drafts of Essays/Assignments

- Be Creative and Find What Works Best For Your Student!

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