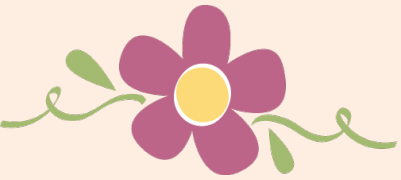


AAC and Social Media: Making Connections

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Key Learning Outcomes

- Participants will understand why we value social connections for AAC users
- Participants will learn about social media opportunities for the people they know who use AAC
- Participants will learn techniques for connecting to social media through various AAC devices (tablets and iPads)



Overview of Session

- Making connections with others is an important social aspect of learning to use augmentative communication well.
- People who use AAC can connect with others through social media and web 2.0 tools, including Skype, Facebook, Messaging, and E-mail.
- We will demonstrate how AAC devices can connect as alternate keyboards and how iPads can use sharing options to send messages, pictures and video.
- Speakers will include consumers from ValleyLife Adult Day Program DTA 6, either in person or via Skype.
- Individuals will share personal experiences and connections.



Social Connections

- Establishing a topic (common interests)
- Sharing information
- Giving opinions
- Asking questions
- Practicing how to start/end conversations



Equipment Connections

- MMS (texting)
- USB to another computer (keyboard/mouse emulation)
- Bluetooth pair with a phone
- Bluetooth pair with a receiver plugged into another computer (keyboard/mouse emulation)
- With an internet connection (WIFI or cellular data)
 - Send e-mail or post on-line
 - Upload screenshots or other images



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