



Learning Ally in South Orange Maplewood School District

Hundreds of struggling readers are benefitting from access to 80,000 human-narrated audiobooks



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Teachers in the the South Orange Maplewood School District in New Jersey have been using Learning Ally for more than 10 years and have seen the tools for their print reading disabled and dyslexic students evolve, from the days of cds from Recording for the Blind and Dyslexic into sophisticated and intuitive educational software technology from Learning Ally.

“The product was always wonderful. Now, the ease of use is what has really made Learning Ally take off. The kids love it, and it is working out great,” said Gail Salomon, Child Study Team Lead.

“Our SPED director has created a bookshelf for all required reading in our classrooms. The best feature is the VOICEtext, so students can follow along with the text while listening. Sometimes, they follow along in the textbook as well. The audio enhances their reading, allowing them to read more and gain knowledge. Having a human voice is so helpful, rather than a robotic voice, especially for tough subjects such as chemistry.”

Ms. Salomon continued, “It is so easy to add students, add books and train our teachers. Kids are reading anywhere and everywhere, especially from their phones. One girl loaded her books onto her iPod as well, and listens to them everywhere.”

“After our IEP meetings, parents leave with a Learning Ally username and password. It is crucial to get the parents involved from the get go; and they are really into it.”

Learning Ally is funded in the district through a grant from the New Jersey Department of Education.

“This would not have taken off like it did if it weren’t for the grant and for the help from Learning Ally. The fact that this was funded helped us get started right away. We love it. Our kids are reading more and achieving more with Learning Ally’s help.”

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