

Alternative and Augmentative Communication iPad

Through a competitive grant opportunity administered by the New Jersey State Library, an affiliate of Thomas Edison State University, the Ocean County Library System has been selected to receive a Library Services and Technology Act 2022 (LSTA 22) grant award.

The Library is using the funding to launch Milestones in Neurodiversity & Literacy to Grow, a program that provides literacy-based services for the neurodiverse community, from birth to age five.

Technology, training and education aims to enhance capacity and skills, and improve practices and behaviors, while teaching age-appropriate child development skills and literacy-related milestones. This includes the purchase of 3 iPads loaded with Alternative and Augmentative Communication (AAC) apps for patron trial available at the Brick, Little Egg Harbor, and Stafford Branches.

FAQs -

1. What apps are available?
LAMP Words for Life, Sono Flex, & My Frist AAC
2. Do I need to have an Ocean County Library Card in order to borrow the devices?
Yes, you will need to have a valid Ocean County Library card, with fines under \$25 to borrow a device.
3. How long can I borrow the device?
A device may be checked out for use in the library only and must be returned to a service desk before the branch closes for the day.
4. Can I renew the device?
Devices are not renewable.
5. How do I return the device?
The device must be returned in person to the service desk, directly to a staff member. They cannot be returned to a library book-drop or left on the service desk.
6. What if the device is damaged or lost?
Please alert staff if the device you are borrowing is damaged or lost.
7. Will I have to accept any terms to use the devices?
Not at this time.
8. Am I able to save my documents or applications on the device?
No, you may not save any documents or applications on the device. You are encouraged to use your personal email, cloud storage, or file sharing service before you return the device.