

AI IN SPECIAL EDUCATION TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES

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ISET STATEMENT

The Innovations in Special Education Technology (ISET) of the Council for Exceptional Children recognizes the transformative potential of artificial intelligence (AI), including generative AI, to shape the future of instructional and assistive technology in effort to better support learners with various abilities and needs. Generative AI offers a myriad of possibilities for creating accessible content, adapting personalized learning paths, enhancing adaptive learning opportunities, offering intelligent tutoring, supporting progress monitoring based on behavior data patterns, teaching and practicing social skills, developing AI-powered communication supports, engaging and motivating learners by removing barriers, and much more. These tools will no doubt enhance teaching and learning, increase accessibility, and empower educators (current and future), families, and professionals to better meet the diverse needs of all learners. ISET is committed to exploring and promoting the ethical, effective, and inclusive use of generative AI. ISET will serve as a resource for identifying best practices, showcasing creating uses, and providing guidance for meaningful integration of generative AI.

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• CENTERS & WEBSITES

Al Institute for Transforming Education for Children with Speech and Language Processing Challenges

CEC Artificial Intelligence (AI) Resource Page

Center for Innovation, Design, and Digital Learning (CIDDL). <u>Blog post series: Artificial Intelligence</u>

Center for Applied Special Technology (CAST). Artificial intelligence & UDL

Digital Promise. Artificial Intelligence in Education

Edtech Insiders. Generative AI: Use Cases in Education

ISTE. Artificial Intelligence in Education

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<u>Vital – Variability and Innovation in Teaching ALL Learners Center</u>

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• SPECIAL ISSUES

- Journal of Special Education Technology: The Role of Artificial Intelligence in Supporting Students with Disabilities (forthcoming)
- Learning Disability Quarterly: Artificial Intelligence for Students with Learning Disabilities (forthcoming)
- Education Sciences: Application of Al Technologies in STEM Education
- Journal of Special Education Preparation: <u>Special Issue on Artificial Intelligence in Teacher Preparation</u>