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## It's Not Just Technology, It's Philosophy = Solutions For All

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This session focuses on how technology tools and solutions can be utilized to enhance the inclusion of individuals with Down syndrome in the general education classroom. A focus on the identification of potential barriers interfering with student development and overall access to the inclusionary setting will be addressed. A focus on current and future technologies that open BOTH the academic and employment world will be addressed. Finally, APPS, APPS, and MORE!

### Learning Objectives:

1. Participants will be able to identify popular myth and misconception interfering in the learning process as they apply to technology for learners and those both with and without disabilities.
2. Participants will understand ways to integrate and create ideas and ways no tech and a variety of different technologies can be utilized at home, school and in the real world.
3. Participants will begin to apply practical ways to utilize tools and tech solutions to increase content accessibility in the general education classroom and further develop skills that promote independence across the lifespan.

### About the Presenter:



**Sean Smith, PhD**, is working as a faculty member at the University of Kansas. Sean has concentrated his efforts on technology innovations that can further the development and independence of struggling learners and those with disabilities. Recently, this has included work in the area of online/personalized learning, virtual reality, and Universal Design for Learning. The parent of four school-age children, Sean's oldest son with Down syndrome has been a significant influence on his work.