

Hollymead Elementary School

Special Education Services

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Dear Walmart Personnel,

I am a teacher at Hollymead Elementary School. I teach in a Functional Skills classroom. I have a student who has autism and is non-verbal. He is currently in 1st grade. He is using a Picture Exchange System to communicate. I would like the opportunity to provide him with a total communication system through use of an iPad. There is a communication app called Proloquo2go. This is a full-featured communication solution that brings natural sounding text-to-speech voices, over 8,000 symbols up-to-date symbols or pictures, and automatic conjugations. Being able to communicate is a lifelong skill these students require to function in society. This new technology makes communicating accessible to him.

In order to provide this student this opportunity I am asking if Walmart would be willing to donate an iPad to this student. I have the software license already and just require the device to load it on.

You are welcome to visit my classroom and observe. I have discussed this with his parent and she is very excited about the possibility of being able to give her son a voice through the iPad. If you have any questions please call me at 973-8301. Thank you very much for your kind attention.

Sincerely,

Ann Marie Lancaster
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