



Specialized Vision Services

Deafblind and CVI Expertise through Virtual Consultation

Partnering for Success: Specialized Expertise, Delivered Virtually

Amy O'Brien is a veteran special education teacher and Teacher of the Visually Impaired (TVI) with decades of experience delivering comprehensive services, evaluations, and consultations for youth ranging from early intervention through post-secondary transition. Amy's mission is to help schools transform simple "presence in the classroom" into meaningful, active access to learning, communication, relationships, and independence.

By joining your educational team, Amy guides staff away from single-sensory strategies that are fundamentally ineffective for deafblind learners, steering them toward specialized, proven interventions instead. She works closely with your team to identify and implement robust tactile, object-based, and adapted AAC systems tailored specifically for dual sensory loss. By training educators and paraprofessionals to communicate consistently across all school environments, Amy helps reduce student frustration and challenging behaviors. Ultimately, her collaborative consultation drives measurable increases in classroom engagement, peer relationships, and functional student independence.



Amy O'Brien, MS-Ed., TVI
CVI and DeafBlind Specialist
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By integrating specialized virtual consultation into your school community, your district gains immediate access to critical low-incidence expertise:

Benefits Include:

Targeted Deafblind Expertise: Applies dual-sensory frameworks instead of ineffective single-sensory strategies.

Intentional Instructional Access: Works with teams on adapting lessons for dual-sensory needs to replace lost incidental learning.

Custom Communication Systems: Supports designing tactile, object, and adapted AAC methods to increase access and decrease frustration.

Long-Term Capacity Building: Coaches local educators, paraprofessionals, and related providers to build school-wide competence.

Defensible IEP Development: Assists teams in forming meaningful, compliant goals for communication, sensory access, and the Expanded Core Curriculum.

"As a virtual service provider, Amy's extensive knowledge and experience with CVI and DeafBlindness provided a critical shift in the way our team planned and interacted with a student. She is an effective communicator, sharing relevant insights from observations, making it a point to offer supportive comments on the efforts of the team when implementing suggested strategies."

District Special Educator

Start your journey today!

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