

The PATINS Project is a statewide technical assistance network that connects Indiana schools to accessible educational materials, assistive technology, professional development, and technical support through the Indiana Departments of Education (IDOE).

The PATINS Project offers the below opportunities and resources for educators across the state.



Save the Date: Tech Expo 2023 on Thursday, April 20

Join the [PATINS Project](#) and [IN*SOURCE](#) on Thursday, April 20, in Carmel, IN for [Tech Expo 2023](#)! This opportunity allows attendees to preview assistive and accessible technologies and services, meet with vendors and experts of resources designed to promote inclusion and comply with federal and state mandates, and learn about accessibility and technology support for all students and families. Tech Expo 2023 is open to all

interested Indiana administrators, teachers, family members, advocates, students, and pre-service teachers/graduate students. [Register now](#) through Wednesday, March 29. For more information, visit the [Tech Expo webpage](#) or contact the [PATINS Project](#).

New Item in PATINS Assistive Technology Lending Library

Indiana educators can now borrow the Focus 40 Blue 5th Generation Wireless Refreshable Braille Display from [PATINS Assistive Technology Lending Library](#). The Focus 40 Blue 5th Generation is durable, lightweight, and drop tested to MIL-STD-810G. The user-friendly keyboard, convenient front panel controls, and retooled braille pins make for smooth and quiet operation. With Bluetooth connectivity for five devices, a built-in scratch pad, portable design, the Focus 40 Blue ensures reliable operation. Complete the [Loan Request Form](#) to borrow for no-cost. Please contact the [PATINS Project](#) with any questions.

Congratulations to PATINS Starfish Award Winner Cheryl Clemens!

Congratulations to Cheryl Clemens, dyslexia advocate, who was honored at [Access to Education 2022](#) with the PATINS Starfish Award! Her nominator said "Cheryl began Decoding Dyslexia Indiana. She works tirelessly with families and teachers to provide valid direct instruction for students who struggle to read and are considered dyslexic... Cheryl spends weekends and evenings at schools and public libraries sharing the mission of access and reading outcomes...She is stepping up for ALL kids to have equitable outcomes in literacy education." Watch [Cheryl's award video](#) to learn about her work. If you know a deserving Indiana educator, please nominate them for the [PATINS Starfish Award](#) or contact the [PATINS Project](#).

Contact the PATINS Project for Technical Assistance

The PATINS Project and IDOE are eager to provide technical assistance directly to Indiana schools. Schools may complete IDOE's [Technical Assistance Request Form](#) for any assistance.

Contact the [PATINS Project](#) with any questions regarding these opportunities.