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## **APP** Rationale Form

For the educational purchase of ipod/ipad apps... (Please complete and submit this form to the technology office, through Heather Hunt.)

Teacher Name: Bethany Cox (Teacher's Assistant) Erin Colton (Speech-Language Pathologist)	Building:
Grade Level and Content Area: Kindergarten	
Name and Cost of App: TouchChat Word Power \$149.99	
URL of App, if available: https://touchchatapp.com/english	
Brief description of the App: "Touchchat is designed for individuals with Autism, Down syndrome, ALS, Apraxia, Stroke, or other conditions that affect a person's ability to use natural speech."  -Touchchatapp.com.	
Plans for classroom use of the App: TouchChat will be used in the classroom to help our students make requests, state needed items, make choices, express social greetings, state medical needs, improve expressive and receptive vocabulary skills through fringe and core vocabulary, and help assist with transitions.	

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Connection to NYSED P-12 Common Core Learning Standards &/or NYS Teaching Standards: (see <a href="http://www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert/resteachers/teachingstandards.html">http://www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert/resteachers/teachingstandards.html</a> or <a href="http://www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert/resteachers/teachingstandards">http://www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert/resteachers/teachingstandards</a> or <a href="http://www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert/resteachers/teachingstandards">http://www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert/resteachers/teachingstandards</a> or <a href="http://www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert/resteachers/teachingstandards">http://www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert/resteachers/teachingstandards</a> or <a href="http://www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert/resteachers/

Evidence that this App has worthwhile classroom value:

(include specific students groups who would use it, other contents areas where it could be used, access to a demo or tutorial on the App, etc)

This app has worthwhile value in the classroom in order for students in a 6:1:1 Autism classroom environment to improve engagement and participation with his/her teachers, therapists, and peers, perform during academic tasks, state medical needs, use salutations, improve vocabulary skills through fringe and core vocabulary, improve labeling and matching abilities, and improve overall relationships when the ability of functional communication is present.