

# WATI Assistive Technology Decision Making Guide

Area of Concern: Seating, Positioning MAYA

## PROBLEM IDENTIFICATION

Student's Abilities/Difficulties	Environmental Considerations	Tasks
<p><b>Strengths</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Likes school</li> <li>• Wants to please</li> <li>• Inquisitive</li> <li>• Family support</li> <li>• Enjoys reading</li> </ul> <p><b>Weaknesses</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Math</li> <li>• Difficulty staying seated either at the table or on the floor</li> <li>• Can become agitated if not allowed to move</li> </ul>	<p><b>What environmental considerations impact seating and positioning?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• She needs multiple ways to be seated and positioned depending on the task.</li> <li>• Different locations require the different types of seating or positioning: lunchroom, music, art, classroom, floor, library</li> <li>• Physical assistance not needed in restroom or any other areas</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Desk top tasks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Writing</li> <li>○ Reading</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Listening in a group <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ From floor</li> <li>○ At desk</li> <li>○ Large and small group</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

## Narrowing the Focus

**Specific task identified for solution generation:**

Desk top work esp. writing.

Solution Generation Tools & Strategies	Solution Selection Tools & Strategies	Implementation Plan
<p><b>Brainstorming:</b> different types of seating mobility cushion in the regular chair, ball chair, standing desk, posture chair and movable seats like the T-stool or hoki</p>	<p><b>Discuss &amp; Select Idea from Solution Generation:</b> Tried them all and with input from Maya and the staff. <b>These were chosen:</b> standing at the table, sitting in the posture chair and sitting at the edge of a regular chair.</p>	<p><b>AT Trials/Services Needed:</b> Access to the selected types of positioning for desk work, trials of any new types of positioning</p>
		<p><b>Follow-Up Plan</b></p>
		<p><b>Who &amp; When</b>—Team will meet at end of next quarter via Google docs with any concerns or ideas followed by face to face meeting if needed</p>

Important: It is intended that you use this as a guide. Each topic should be written in large print where everyone can see them, i.e. on a flip chart or board. Information should then be transferred to paper for distribution, file, and future reference.