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PRESS RELEASE

Special Equipment to Aid Murray Special Needs Students

Statewide training for highly innovative program to be presented in Murray School District

27 February, 2007, Murray, UT – Statewide training for the EagleEyes computer device for the disabled will be presented at Viewmont Elementary in the Murray City School District, February 28, 2007 from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Approximately twenty teachers or administrators from 6 districts throughout the state will be participating in a workshop featuring hands-on training and technical demonstrations

EagleEyes is an innovative computer mouse substitute that provides computer-based communication and instruction for individuals with severe disabilities, along with more potential computer access for individuals with limited motor and verbal abilities. The user needs only to be able to look at the screen to activate the mouse. While there are many other head-tracker devices, EagleEyes is the only eye-tracker for computers. The device, manufactured in Salt Lake City, is valued at \$1,200.

The Murray City School District Special Education Department is pleased to be the recipient of the innovative EagleEyes assistive technology device, made possible through a gift from the Opportunity Foundation of America and Dannon Yogurt. Workshop expenses are being covered by Boston College in Boston, MA, the institution at which the EagleEyes technology was developed.

For background on EagleEyes technology, see:
http://www.ofoa.net/eagle_eyes.cfm

Training location:
Viewmont Elementary
745 W. 5720 S. (Anderson Ave.), Murray, UT 84123
(801) 264-7438
Principal Darren Dean

For more information on this event, contact Wendy Bills, Supervisor Murray City School District At Risk Programs, wbills@murrayschools.org; or Codi Romero, cromero@murrayschools.org; 801-264-7400.

Under the direction of the Murray Schools Board of Education, the mission of the Murray City School District is to work in partnership with the community in the education of youth in a changing society. Richard R. Tranter is superintendent and chief executive officer of Murray School District; Mitzi Huff is president of the Murray School Board.