

Digitability is the only scalable, STEM-focused model that continues to be recognized as an innovative solution to the unemployment crisis facing a large and growing – population of those with disabilities. Whereas less than 30% of people with disabilities are employed, 70% of Digitability graduates obtain full-time employment.



Something for EVERY Student: The needs of individuals who participate in Digitability run the gamut. All of your resources are extensively differentiated to support a wide range of cognitive, communication and behavioral needs.



Reduce Time Planning & Progress Monitoring: Digitability manages your existing special education priorities into a streamlined process. We have all the tools to enhance existing programming or serve as a foundation for innovative programming at any school or in any classroom.

#### **Program Resources Include:**

- √ 700+ Digital Literacy Lesson Plans
- ✓ 200+ Social, Communication & Behavior Resources
- √ 600+ Workplace Readiness Activities
- ✓ 100+ Functional Academic Resources
- ✓ 900+ Interactive Online Activities

- ✓ IEP Goal Bank and Progress Reports
- ✓ Data Dashboard to Track IEP Transition Data
- ✓ Year-long, teacher coaching on **Evidence-based Practices**

Earn Amazon Gift Cards! Our teacher coaching and professional development services reward each teacher with Amazon Gift cards throughout their process of achieving mastery of evidence-based practices and improving transition outcomes for students.





Students Obtain Full-Time Employment: Each student graduates with a work-ready, skills-based portfolio and the social/emotional ability to persevere, self-regulate and self-advocate in learning environments that simulate "real-world" workplace settings. Digitability's program for today's modern workplaces has been featured on MSNBC, CNET, NPR, TechCrunch, Ted Talks, and showcased at Silicon Valley's Social **Innovation Summit.** 

For more information visit digitability.com or contact: info@digitability.com









# Digitability Award-Winning Curriculum

## **Curriculum Categories**



- Sharing & Connecting Online
- Using Online Accounts
- Workplace Technology



- Flexible Thinking/Problem Solving
- Active Listening
- Interpreting Directions



- Expressive/Receptive Language
- Workplace Communication
- Giving, Receiving & Interpreting Feedback



- Self-regulation
- Self-advocacy
- Time-on-Task Attendance



- Reading
- Writing
- Financial Literacy (earning, spending and saving)



- Interviewing
- Applying for Jobs
- Digital Projects

### **Identify Interest**

# **Employment Experience**

**Getting Hired** to Work

**Performance Reviews** 

**Portfolio** + Interview

Work-Ready!



#### **Start Here**

Students begin by choosing an employment project in Digitability's Work Simulation Library and apply for the job they are interested in.

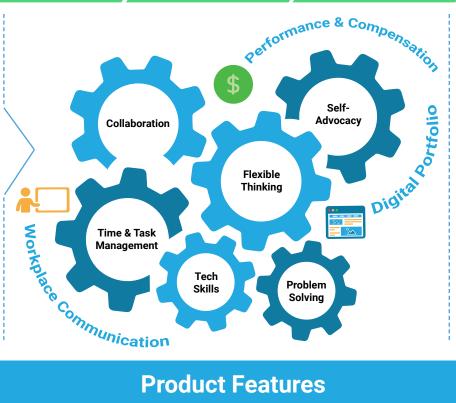


Apply for a Job

#### **Project Samples**



Choose Your



#### Resume via Digitability **Workplace Partner Projects**

- **Digital Project to Showcase** to **Employers**
- Interview Talking Points from **Digitability Work Experience**
- Self-Advocacy Plan



### **Product Features**

#### **Lesson Plan Resources**



Video Lesson Library



Lesson Plans



Differentiated Assessments and Activities



Google Drive Templates (Docs, Sheets, Slides and more!)

#### IEP Process, Data, and Reporting



**Student Progress Monitoring** 



**IEP Goal Bank** 



**Weekly Emailed Student Updates** 



**Data Dashboard** 

#### **Teacher Support**



1:1 Year-Long Coaching



**Evidence-Based Practices Training** 



Rewards Program







# The First Virtual Banking System for Special Education Students

Bankability allows students to experience a modern banking app while learning financial literacy and workplace behavior.

## **Online Banking is Here!**

Bankability works with The Digitability Social Economy, where students earn (and later spend) virtual money for practicing workplace behavior. With Bankability, students now receive direct deposits on payday, review pay stubs and personal bank statements.





# **Pay Bills and Purchase Rewards**

Using Bankability, students manage their checking and savings accounts, pay bills, shop, and review their finances all from their online bank account. Teachers can customize classroom bills and rewards, run payroll, and approve purchase requests all from their Bankability dashboard.

## **Data & IEP Progress Reports**

Bankability also allows teachers to track workplace readiness progress using Digitability's Individual Education Program (IEP) Transition Goal Bank.
Assigning each dollar to a behavior will allow teachers to track that behavior overtime. Reports can be generated at the click of a button and shared with their Special Education Team.







# Dr. David Mandell, Sc.D.

Director, Center for Mental Health Policy and Services, University of Pennsylvania | Pennsylvania

"Digitability gives schools an opportunity to provide support to high school students with autism in a way they wouldn't be able to otherwise."



## **Dana Steinwart**

Lead Transition Teacher, Blue Valley School District | Kansas

"What I enjoy most about Digitability is the class participation I get due to the classroom economy system. Earning dollars is highly motivating, and I have 100% class participation. Every student is engaged in the lesson. I have also seen quick behavior changes when students pay dollars for behaviors. I love teaching Digitability."



#### **Dawn Nuoffer**

Executive Director, Down Syndrome Association of Wisconsin | Wisconsin

"We have seen great success with Digitability. In the short time we have been offering this course, we have opened multiple class locations and will continue to replicate it across Wisconsin. Digitability is changing lives and helping our friends to secure meaningful jobs!"



## **Tracey Sterling**

Supervisor of Special Education, Perkiomen Valley School District | Pennsylvania

"We brought Digitability to Perkiomen Valley School District because of the scope and relevance of its unique digital content. The training was differentiated and tailored to each of our students' needs through evidence-based practices."







# **The Reason Teachers Love** the Digitability Program

- 1:1 Personal Implementation Coach for EVERY teacher.
- **Evidence-based Practice Coaching** by Experts
- **IEP Goal Bank and Progress Monitoring** (at the click of a button!)
- **Rewards Program for Teacher Progress**
- Easy to Use, Pre-Written & Differentiated Lesson Plans
- Differentiated, Print-Ready Social and Language **Activities**
- **Google Classroom Compatible with Free Google Doc Templates**













Digitability gives teachers a ready-to-implement system that has already packaged effective methods for developing social, emotional and communication abilities as well as preparing students for their transition to independence.



### **Reduced Teacher Planning Time.**

All lesson plans are already pre-written, scripted, differentiated, and include a three tiered system of modified resources. Your Implementation Coach will help you navigate all resources so you feel comfortable and confident implementing lessons.



# **Year-Long Personalized Teacher Support & Coaching**

Every teacher works with a personal coach to support classroom facilitation, reduce teacher stress and help customize projects. Teachers can schedule a call with their Coach anytime and brainstorm solutions to barriers, new projects or review curriculum resources.



#### Start a New Program with Ease.

We believe that the best way to learn a curriculum is by implementing it. Our model is designed to make sure that teachers are not overwhelmed with a lot of information and feel comfortable starting Digitability asap.



#### **Data & Report Tools Included!**

Monitoring progress of a wide range of individual student goals can be challenging and time consuming. That's why Digitability designed a system that makes the IEP process easier!



## **Teacher Rewards Program**

Digitability understands the day-to-day demands of teachers. Digitability's Professional Development Reward System incentivizes teachers as they achieve mastery of new evidence-based practices for increasing transition outcomes for students.



#### **Google Classroom Compatible**

In addition to being compatible with Google Classroom, Digitability trains students to use Google Applications to learn word processing, data entry, organization and workplace communication. Digitability also provides teachers with custom Google Doc Templates for creating resumes, presentation personal budgets and more.







# **Visit the Digitablity Website to Learn more about:**

- Free **IEP Goal Bank**
- **Easy to Use Data and Reporting**
- **New Virtual, Online Banking**
- **On-Demand Teacher Support**













# Lesson 7: <u>How Can I Make a Purchase?</u>

Social Economy Level 1











#### **EXIT TICKET PART 1: JOB ASSIGNMENT**

- 20. Choose an Exit Ticket Job Assignment for each of your students (see differentiation).
- 21. Set a Job Assignment Deadline. "I'm setting a timer for \_\_\_ minute(s). If you complete this job assignment in \_\_\_ minute(s) you will earn \$2."
- 22. A Remind students, "The deadline is approaching. There is one minute left."
- 23. If there are students who have not completed their Job Assignment within the initial amount of time you allotted, create a second opportunity for a lesser amount of money.
  - se the <u>TAG Writing Rubric</u> to assess Writing Skills for students completing T1 writing assignment.

#### PART 2: WORKPLACE COMMUNICATION

- 24. Pror a Participation Dollar, who will share their sentence?"
- 25. (Student Name) said (repeat answer). Nice job earning a Participation Dollar!"
- 26. Pror a Participation Dollar, who can share one of their examples?"
- 27. (Student Name) said (repeat answer). Nice job earning a Participation Dollar!"
- 28. For a Participation Dollar, who would like to come up and present their job assignment?"
- 29. 🜎 "(Student Name), nice job sharing and earning a Participation Dollar!"
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Use the <u>Exit Ticket Rubric</u> to assess Workplace Communication Skills for students throughout the year. Later, you can enter scores as earnings into <u>Bankability Payroll</u> field called Exit Ticket.

- 30. For a Participation Dollar, who would like to give feedback to (student) on their presentation?"
- 31. (S) "You can give feedback by telling (Student) what you liked about their presentation. Then, you can ask (Student) a question."

Be sure that students do both.

- a. Describe what they liked about the presentation (prompt students to say more than "I liked your drawing." Ask, "What did you like about it?")
- b. Ask a question about the presentation.
- 32. (\*\$) "Nice job giving feedback and earning a Participation Dollar, (student)!"
- 33. After student does both, ask the student presenting, "(Student), what did you hear [student who gave feedback] say?"

# Ways to Differentiate

Student completes

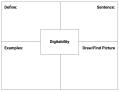
Vocab Paragraph

worksheet

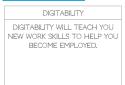


Student completes

Vocab Block worksheet



Student completes
Trace n' Learn card



# Ways to Differentiate

- Use <u>5 Types of</u>
  <u>Prompting</u> for verbal responses.
- Use <u>Sentence Starters</u> & <u>Exit Ticket IECs</u> for prompting.



Student completes
Peer to Peer Feedback
Cheat Sheet



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Pro Tip: Prompt the student to say more than, "I liked your drawing."

#### **WRAP UP**

# Social Economy: Workplace Culture

- Read off total earnings for each student. "(Student Name) earned \_\_\_\_
   Participation Dollars. Nice work." Repeat for each student.
- 2. Pror a Participation Dollar (Student Name), what will you do with your earnings?"

Possible Answers: pay bills, purchase rewards, save for larger purchases

- 3. (Student Name) said they will (repeat answer). Nice job earning a Participation Dollar!"
- Students will fill out deposit slip and submit earnings to their CFO.

# Workplace Connections Activity



Students will log in to their Bankability account and make their first purchase. Students may need to complete a transfer from saving to checking if they missed the previous lesson. Enter each student's earnings from this lesson into <a href="Bankability Payroll">Bankability Payroll</a> <a href="System">System</a> in the field called <a href="Participation/Contributing">Participation/Contributing</a>.

# **Setting Boundaries with Independent Practice**

Independent practice gives students the opportunity to exercise self-regulation strategies. Tell students, "Unlock the (lesson badge/s) and then logout of your account. If you follow directions, you will earn \$\_\_\_ Following Directions Dollars. However, if you unlock badges not assigned, you will pay a Not Following Directions fine of \$1."

Find more information on Assigning Independent Practice.

# Looking Ahead

- Level 1 Social Economy Have your list of bills and rewards set up in Bankability!
   Here are some ideas to get you started!
- Coaching & Rewards Schedule your one-week check-in call with your Coach!
   They can answer more questions once you implement a lesson plan with your students and identify the best resources to support your classroom needs.
- Work Simulation Your coach will introduce you to the Work Simulation Competition and help brainstorm project ideas and partners! <u>Learn more.</u>

# Ways to Differentiate

Students count money and fill out <u>deposit slip</u> independently.



- Student uses <u>verbal</u>
  <u>prompting</u> or adult/Tier
  1 partner.
- Modify questioning to a Yes/No Format and adult/Tier 1 partner.





# PROGRESS DATA IN BANKABILITY

Enter each student's earnings for unlocking badges into Bankability Payroll System in the field called Employee Salary under the BLUE Earnings Behavior column. Enter any fines into Directions field under the ORANGE Deductions Behavior column. NOTE: Badge deductions are the only fine that can be administered throughout Level 1.

Pro Tip: Build
confidence in your
students: Identify
students who have not
earned money and
focus on engaging
them. Use
differentiation tools if
reluctant to participate.
le. EVERY student
should be earning
money.



# Supplemental Materials

# Digitability

















#### SE1.1.7.1 | EXIT TICKET



#### **Access the interactive Google Template Version.**

**Directions:** Write a paragraph using this lesson's vocabulary term. Be sure to describe what it is and examples. Include any ways it may be used in the workplace.

Vocab Word		
Shop		
<del></del>		



Date





SE1.7.4.2 | EXIT TICKET



**Access the interactive Google Template Version.** 

Define:		Sentence:
Examples:	Shop	Draw/Find Picture



Date





SE1.7.4.3 | EXIT TICKET



**Access the interactive Google Template Version.** 

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YOU CAN MAKE PURCHASES ONLINE USING YOUR BANKABILITY ACCOUNT.

# **WORKPLACE CONNECTION**

T1 SHOP

| SE1.7.6.1 |



**Directions:** Log in to your Bankability account. Make your first purchase then answer the questions below.

1. What was your first purchase?

2. Why did you choose this as your first purchase?

3. How much did you spend?

4. What will be your new account balance?

Date

# **GOOGLE TEMPLATE**

# WORKPLACE CONNECTION T2 SHOP

| SE1.7.6.2 |

Directions: Log in to your Bankability account. Make your first purchase then answer the questions below.

What was your first purchase?





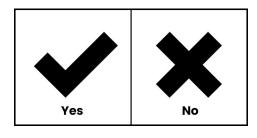


Are you happy with your purchase?





3. Do you have money left in your checking account?



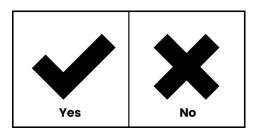
# WORKPLACE CONNECTION T3 SHOP

| SE1.7.6.3

Directions: Log in to your Bankability account. Make your first purchase then answer the questions below.

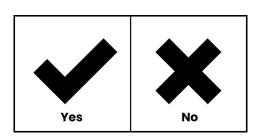
Did you make your first purchase?





Did you have enough money to buy what you wanted?





Did you have any money left in your checking account?

