



Mantis Q40: An Alternative Productivity Tool for Braille-Reading Students

Event Description

With the Mantis Q40, users no longer need to choose between a keyboard or a braille device. When a student types on the Mantis, the refreshable braille below the keyboard provides a multimodal braille complement to the screen reader, making it easier to participate in, and succeed at, school or work. The Mantis Q40 can be used as a display and as a standalone device.

Combining a QWERTY keyboard with a refreshable braille display in one instructional tool is not a new concept, but its widespread use in K–12 environments is new. In this online learning opportunity, HumanWare and American Printing House for the Blind (APH) will examine how students can benefit from using the Mantis Q40, the outcomes one might expect, and practical considerations for initiating use with a braille student.

Participants will learn:

- Tools and classroom uses for the Mantis Q40
- Assistive technology resources created for the Mantis Q40
- How to configure the grade of braille output
- How to switch between local mode and braille terminal mode

Details

Date and Time:

May 5, 2021
10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Location:

Online via Zoom

Intendend Cost and Audience:

\$15 for school personnel supporting students in Michigan who are BVI
\$7.50 for adult family members of students in Michigan who are BVI and college students in Michigan studying BVI-related professions

Registration:

Learn more and register at:
bit.ly/LIOQ40

Registration closes April 21, 2021