

# Alternative Pencils Workshop

An alternative pencil is defined as anything that provides a student with access to all 26 letters of the alphabet for use in writing. Alternative pencils were created for students who are unable to hold a traditional pencil or physically manipulate a standard keyboard. Do you have a student that could benefit from an alternative pencil? Join us as **Kaley Sweeney, MOT, OTR/L** shares her expertise and we:

- Discuss steps for assessing for correct alternative pencils
- Explore how to incorporate alternative pencils into literacy instruction AND
- Make examples of Alternative Pencils to use tomorrow!

**DATE: February 18, 2026**

**TIME: 10:00 am to 3:00 pm (lunch provided)**

**LOCATION: T/TAC @ VT**

**250 S Main St Suite 326  
Blacksburg, VA 24060**

**Target Audience:** Adaptive and Self Contained teachers, related service providers, others that support complex learners.

**Register [HERE](#)**

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**Accessibility:**

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