

Keyboarding Practice chart

Research on acquisition of typing skills for students with handwriting difficulties (freeman et al. 2005) shows that

- Students should be able to keyboard at least as quickly as they can produce handwriting
- Touch typing is an appropriate method
- Keyboarding instruction is critical to reach proficiency, needing as much as 25-30 hours of instruction
- Keyboarding is best introduced in the upper elementary grades
- Students with handwriting difficulties may need customized goals and strategies.

Keyboarding Practice Record

(Replace the blue text with your own dates and directions.)

GOAL

(e.g. 12 practice sessions between 4/4 and 4/30 or three times a week for at least 10 minutes)

	Practice Date	Practice Date	Practice Date
Week One 4/4 – 4/9			
Week Two 4/10 – 4-16			
Week Three 4/17 – 4/22			
Week Four 4/24 – 4/30			

Using the keyboard for class assignments – record date.

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References: DeCoste, D (2014) *The DeCoste Writing Protocol*, Don Johnston Volo, IL