

How to Choose & How to Use Mounts for Eye Gaze Systems

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Introduction

Why are we here today?

Seating, positioning, access, and mountinginseparable

Lets remember: how do children learn ?

4 Primary Manufacturers

- DAESSY (Daedelus Technologies)
- www.daessy.com
- Blue Sky's Mount n Mover
- www.mountnmover.com
- Rehadapt
- www.rehadapt.com
- CJT Mounting
- www.cjtmouting.com

Choosing A mount

- When assessing a student for Eye Gaze system
- When just beginning to use an Eye Gaze System
- When Student has demonstrated competence in use of system
- Don't forget the Parent's Needs

When assessing for Eye Gaze

- Table mount
 - Versatile for re-positioning for trials
 - Challenging to lift higher than mount, but can rest mount on other objects, angle adjustable
- Floor mount
 - Great for Tall or older students, but challenging to angle
- Why not mount on chair?

When just beginning to use an Eye Gaze System

- Table mount &/or floor mount
 - Great for users to have both table/desk mount and chair mount for use in varied environments
 - Easily and readily allows adult/teacher/therapist to be near the system while teaching its use with the student
 - Choose spot in room, set up, mark floor and position with duct tape

When Student has demonstrated competence in use of system

- Primarily in one chair?
- Where will the student be using the system?
- Does the student use her chair when at home, or does she get out of her chair
- What is the home environment like?
- Parents need to be included in choices of mounts

How to Choose

- Although use helps define choice, actual environmental analysis is needed
- How does the mount come off?
- How does the mount allow for transfers?
- How does the mount allow for mobility and travel, on bus, in family's vehicle, out of chair

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Feature/Match

- Identify the features of the mount and "match" them to the needs of the user
- Each company's systems have different features:
 - how they attach to chair,
 - how they attach to the device
 - how they come off the chair
 - how they are adjusted

DAESSY

- www.daessy.com
- Show YouTube Video, too.

Mount N Mover

- www.mountnmover.com
- Show Sofia
- Show Eval Sheet

CJT Mounting

- www.cjtmounting.com
- Show Profiler
- And show Initial sheet, helping hands

Rehadapt

- www.rehadapt.com
- Go to Youtube, too

Contact the Manufacturer

- Go to the web-site, look at the mounts for eye gaze
- Watch video (on site or on Youtube) how they work, share with family
- Use manufacturer's forms for choosing
- Call the manufacturer and discuss with them exactly (see next slide)

When talking to Manufacturer

- Know the brand and make and age of the chair being used (serial number)
- Know the diameter of tubing (use calipers) where mount attaches
- Take photos
- Frequently can Skype with manufacturer directly