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**Utah Non-Profit Brings Apple Special Ed Seminar to Utah**

Salt Lake City, - February 5, 2015 - iPads 4 Angels, a Utah-based technology grant program of the United Angels Foundation (UAF), is organizing a day for educators and parents to learn how to leverage technology in special education.

“This is an unbelievable conference that opened my mind to new and unique ways to utilize this technology,” said UAF Founder, Mark Leck, who has found the information he learned from Apple’s educators to be invaluable as he works with his own daughter who has Down Syndrome.

Apple, Inc. will kick off the morning with a team of Distinguished Educators who will walk attendees through the accessibility features of the iPads, explore valuable apps and discuss best practices when using them as an educational tool for children with special needs. A panel discussion hosted by UAF will enable teachers and parents to ask questions and glean from the knowledge of the Apple team in a more intimate setting.

The main Apple event (this portion closed to media) will take place at the Hilton Hotel in Downtown Salt Lake from 8:30 - 12:00 p.m. and will be followed by the UAF Q&A session from 12:30- 2:00.

UAF is actively involved in Utah’s special education classrooms, and is working toward a vision to see iPads placed in every self-contained special education classroom in the state.

“We have seen through our members that using iPad technology with multi-sensory apps has greatly assisted in the learning and development of children with special needs.” says Mark Leck.

This training aims to help teachers who have or will receive iPad 4 Angels technology grants to use them effectively. Information presented will give teachers tools to help children with ADHD, Autism, Down Syndrome, Cerebral Palsy, and many other conditions.

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## **Additional Resources:**

Video Invitation to Event: <http://youtu.be/6mtCvM5bjLQ>

Apple in Education: <https://www.apple.com/education/apd/>

United Angels Foundation: [www.unitedangelsfoundation.org](http://www.unitedangelsfoundation.org)

News Articles about iPads 4 Angels

[iPads 4 Angels program aims to help children with special needs](#)

[iPads 4 Angels hopes to enrich special needs education in Utah Utah](#)

[Teachers seek iPads for angels](#)

### About Apple's Reaching All Learners Events

Apple teaches this 6 hour training all over the country. The goal is to help participants build advanced skills with Apple creativity apps and settings that support all learners including those with visual, auditory, motor, and learning disabilities. Learning objectives for the workshops include:

- Match features and tools of iOS or OS X devices with the needs of each learner
- Design personalized learning opportunities that empower learners
- Discover learning resources that support Special Education content and standards

### About iPads 4 Angels

The iPads 4 Angels program was created in 2013 to equip special education classrooms with with valuable technology aides free of charge. The program provides training to demonstrate the effectiveness of using iPads in special education, and encourages schools to invest in new technology for the education of children with special needs.

Currently the program has 70 iPads placed in more than 30 classrooms throughout the state of Utah. Teachers can apply at: [www.ipads4angels.org](http://www.ipads4angels.org)

### About United Angels Foundation

United Angels Foundation ("UAF") is a Utah-based non-profit that supports parents and families of children with special needs. UAF currently supports nearly 1,000 families along the Wasatch Front and surrounding areas who have children with conditions ranging from Autism and Down Syndrome to other chromosomal disorders. One of the Foundation's primary focus is to provide support to parents who have recently received a diagnosis. Membership is free, but the support is invaluable. If you know any parents of children with special needs that need additional support, refer them to: [www.unitedangels.org](http://www.unitedangels.org).