









Adaptive Art Grips to Assist Students

in Accessing Their Drawing, Painting and Other Media Tools

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	<p>Milk carton grip from ½ gal and full gal milk, water or other handles containers. Cut around the handle with some plastic. Cut larger area for sponge grips. Use masking tape if the tool doesn't fit snug. Do not need fine motor to hold it.</p>	<p>Adds support for any drawing, painting or tool that requires a larger grip. Add Velcro to it and you can secure a sponge. Hot glue to top of toy car to paint tires.</p>
	<p>Foam pipe insulation for water pipes in home works good for grips. Comes in various thicknesses around and in the hole. Cut to length, and push in tool.</p>	<p>Very soft and versatile grip. Ask OT or PT for other kinds that the students may be using eating utensils. Buy at hardware stores</p>
	<p>Abilitations Grip: Bicycle handle shaped grip that fits many thin drawing and painting tools.</p>	<p>Larger and has a firmer grip. Schoolspecialty.com</p>
	<p>Egg Oh! Grips: Foam grips that are smaller for some student grasps. Holds well the thin drawing and painting tools.</p>	<p>Schoolspecialty.com 3 in a pak</p>
	<p>Vet wrap, flexible bandage, etc/use about 4"-5" to wrap around drawing or painting tools. Very versatile.</p>	<p>Take the wrap, fold in half so its stretchy, and pull to wrap and self adhere to tool.</p>
	<p>Chip Clips- add to various tools to extend or make a tool easier to grab.</p>	<p>Add to edge of cardboard to use as a scraper</p>
	<p>Tennis Ball Grip: For students that have pressure issues and press too hard. Put the tool into a hole CAREFULLY cut into the tennis ball. It is a bit tricky to hold onto, but it does divert the pressure.</p>	<p>For some students, it really helps them to draw without breaking pencils or crayons. You might want to cut down a tall pencil to make it easier to use in the ball.</p>
	<p>EazyHold Therapist/Teacher Silicone Straps Pack 7</p>	<p>These are very versatile grips for holding art tools. Good for students that not only need support for a thin tool, but also can't hold the tool for a long time. Stays on hand. School Specialty</p>