## IDEAS TO HELP ME MASTER THE BASIC FACTS

- 1. Addition/Subtraction/Multiplication War (2+ players)-This can be altered to play Addition or Subtraction War as well.
  - Pass out all of the cards (regular playing cards with numbers 0-10, jacks are 11, queens are 12).
  - Each player flips 2 cards.
  - Each player multiplies (adds or subtracts) his/her two cards together.
  - The player with the highest product (sum or difference) wins the round.
  - Repeat until one player has all the cards or time runs out.
- 2. Have someone quiz you while driving in the car, eating dinner or while doing other activities.
- 3. Make your own Flash Cards-Do not use store bought flash cards. When you see your own handwriting, it makes an impression on your brain and helps you remember the facts easier.
- 4. Play Beat the Calculator-enter a fact into the calculator and say the answer aloud before pressing enter. Check you answer by pressing enter.
- 5. Use your Fact Triangles or Flash Cards in the car.
- 6. Find app such as KidsMath or Math Monkey to use on your iPhone or Smartphone.
- 7. License Plate Math Game: When traveling by car, call out numbers from license plates you see. Have your child try to sum the digits. For example, a license plate with a 9, 5, 1, 3, 2 and 8 would add up to 28. For a more complicated game, your child could add and subtract in an alternating sequence. Subtracting the numbers in sequence would result in 22. This game encourages the development of addition, subtraction and memory skills.
- 8. Basic Fact Practice Websites:
- www.mathfactcafe.com/view/?t=F
- <u>www.oswego.org/ocsd-web/games/Mathmagician/cathymath.html</u>
- www.mathplayground.com/computation.html
- <u>www.funbrain.com/math/</u>
- Google: "basic math fact practice" for more ideas, websites, etc.