# Partnership for Effective Programs for Students with Autism

### Professional Development



## Incorporating Visual Supports to Increase Behavioral and Academic Success

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Hosted by: UF Health Jacksonville - CARD & FDLRS-MDC

Participants will learn to recognize when visual supports could be incorporated into the instructional setting to increase student success behaviorally and academically. Participants will understand how to create and use these types of prompts to encourage independence and reduce frustration. The professional development will explore a program that is frequently used to create visual supports and provide practice using the program. All attendees will be given tools and materials to apply the training in their classrooms in the coming school year.

#### **About the Presenter**

Jessica Callaghan, M.Ed., has 23 years of teaching experience in self-contained and hospital homebound settings. She is a valued and respected resource among teachers in northeast Florida because of the 10 years she spent providing professional development, consultation, and technical assistance on making and using visual supports, technologies to support engagement, and universal design for learning.

#### **Training Description**

This hands-on professional development will provide a foundational understanding and practical experience with creating visual supports tailored to specific students and situations. **Please bring charged devices to use during the training.** 

#### **Target Audience:**

Teachers, academic and behavioral coaches, school leaders

#### **Training Objectives**

Participants will:

- Understand the types of prompts that are considered visual supports
- Understand the types of academic and behavioral challenges that are helped by visual supports
- Identify students who might benefit from the availability of visual supports
- Explore a platform commonly used to create visual supports
- Develop and create samples to solidify understanding

#### Date:

July 18, 2023 9:00 am – 12:00 pm Registration begins at 8:00 am

#### **Location:**

Adam W. Herbert University Center University of North Florida 12000 Alumni Drive Jacksonville, FL 32224

#### **Registration Deadline:**

July 14, 2023 Limited to first 100 participants

#### **Register Online:**

<u>Click here to register</u> Registration is mandatory.

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#### **Directions:**

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