

Making Learning Fun Follow-Up Session

Presented by: Steve Ward, M.A., BCBA

Hosted by: FAU CARD

About the Presenter

Steve Ward, M.A., BCBA, has a broad range of experience. Over the past 25 years, he has worked as lead behavior analyst for a center school, worked in the Comprehensive Application of Behavior Analysis to Schooling (CABAS) system, and learned the verbal behavior approach and precision teaching from leaders in each area. Steve draws from this “deep well” to design individually tailored interventions to address problem behaviors and to teach a wide variety of important skills, including daily living, language, leisure, and academics. Steve’s primary interest is in improving the efficiency of instruction and student quality of life by teaching foundational learner repertoires and social interest. He has authored several books in these areas and conducts trainings around the world.

Training Description

Steve Ward will discuss how to make learning fun from a number of perspectives. First, he will discuss how to establish pivotal repertoires such as the development of attention as a reinforcer. Attention is a natural consequence of social behavior and, if effective as a reinforcer, will contribute to the natural emergence of a variety of social behaviors. Second, Steve will review a variety of popular instructional targets and discuss some options for teaching those targets in fun ways. Some of these options are specific to a particular target, such as the use of scavenger hunts to address reading comprehension, and others provide generic templates through which any content can be practiced, such as Jeopardy or Intraverbal Pursuit. Finally, Steve will describe benefits and methods of teaching a variety of specific games. Participants will be guided through processes for planning fun instructional activities for a student they know and will practice gauging learner interest.

Follow-Up Objectives

- Steve will provide individualized consultation and technical assistance to educational leaders including ESE coordinators, principals, district staff, and BCBA’s working with classroom staff on implementing procedures to make learning fun.
- Small group discussion and a question and answer session will be provided.

Date:

November 9, 2018
10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Location:

FAU Jupiter MacArthur Campus
Administrative Building Auditorium
5353 Parkside Drive
Jupiter, FL 33458

Registration Deadline:

November 8, 2018
Limited to first 45 participants

Register Online:

<http://doepartnership.fmhi.usf.edu/trainings.html>

Registration is mandatory.

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Directions:

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