

Professional Development

FAU Center for Autism and Related Disabilities

Safety for Children with ASD in the Classroom and School

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About the Presenter

Jack Scott is the Executive Director of the FAU CARD center. He is an associate professor in the Department of Exceptional Student Education. He teaches courses on autism, inclusion and behavior analysis. Dr. Scott received his doctoral degree from the University of Florida. He has written a textbook on autism, Students with Autism: Characteristics and Instructional Programming, (2000). His most recent book, published by Woodbine House, is Safeguarding Your Child with Autism and offers strategies for reducing the risk status of children with autism.

Training Description

Children with ASD are at increased risk for unintentional injury and even death. Several studies place the risks at between 2.4 and 3 times the risk for death in contrast to typically developing students. Teachers of these students must be especially careful and engage in planning at the class and school level to help ensure their safety. This session will look at the risk profile of these children and then look at what a teacher can do within their own class to ensure safety. In addition, suggestions are offered for school-wide planning for supervision of recess and outdoor activity time and for emergency planning especially for elopements with notification of parents of any incidents. A set of self-evaluation questions are provided so that a teacher can review their own classroom and school ASD student safety profile.

Training Objectives

Participants will be able to:

- 1. Describe the risk profile of a student with ASD.
- 2. List 5 things a teacher should do to decrease risk for ASD students in their classroom.
- 3. Describe two school wide planning priorities that can increase safety for students with autism at your school.

Date:

October 1-31, 2020

Location:

Online as a prerecorded webinar.

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