

# Tampa, Florida

## 14TH ANNUAL AUTISM SUMMER INSTITUTE

Sponsors: Florida Department of Education (DOE), Partnership for Effective Programs for Students with Autism (PEPSA), Hillsborough, Pasco, Pinellas, and Polk County School Districts, and the Center for Autism and Related Disabilities at USF (CARD-USF)

## July 28-29, 2015

8:30 am – 4:00 pm Registration begins at 8:00 am

### Blake High School

1701 North Boulevard Tampa, FL 33607

#### About the Institute

The Autism Summer Institute is an annual workshop aimed at providing high quality professional development to a wide spectrum of professionals such as ESE and general education teachers, guidance counselors, school psychologists, SLPs, OTs, instructional assistants, administrators, and parents who impact the lives of students with Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD). The 14<sup>th</sup> Annual PESPA Autism Summer Institute will feature four keynote speakers over two days on the topics of executive function, behavior, the 5-Point Scale, and a parent's perspective.

#### This Year's Autism Summer Institute

#### Day 1: Tuesday, July 28, 2015

#### Executive Function Skills in Children and Adolescents Presented By: Sarah Ward MS CCC-SLP

This is a practical strategies seminar! You will learn how to clearly define what the executive function skills are for the purpose of determining the most effective treatment interventions. Learn dozens of functional, ready-to-use strategies for teaching students how to develop the executive function skills.

#### Day 2: Wednesday, July 29, 2015

#### ASD + Behavior = Communication Presented by: Catherine Zenko

This presentation will provide an in-depth look at the unique learning styles associated with ASD and how these characteristics affect students' behavior. Utilizing the principles of Functional Behavioral Assessment, participants will be guided through various behavioral scenarios and asked to brainstorm solutions that coincide with the way students with ASD think and learn.

#### The Incredible 5-Point Scale Presented by: Melanie Wagner

This presentation highlights the Incredible 5-point Scale (Dunn & Buron, 2003), an evidenced-based strategy for managing challenging behavior and teaching social skills. This strategy offers endless possibilities for intervention, and is most widely used to decrease anxiety and fears, anger, and "black and white" thinking.

#### Observations: A Mother's Perspective Presented by: Mary Merryday

As a mother of two sons, now 23 and 21, Mary will share her observations from diagnosis to diplomas and her experiences of fostering a positive relationship among all members of the team.

VISIT THE EVENT WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION INCLUDING DIRECTIONS, SCHEDULE, HANDOUTS, AND CEUS: <a href="http://doepartnership.org/summerinstitute/">http://doepartnership.org/summerinstitute/</a>

# Registration Information: PRE-REGISTRATION IS MANDATORY

**DEADLINE: July 1, 2015** 

Hillsborough, Pasco, Pinellas, and Polk county schools staff <u>must</u> register through their district sites listed below.

#### • Hillsborough County:

IDEAS PDS Registration: Course Title: ASD Summer Institute Dee Koshy - glenda.koshy@sdhc.k12.fl.us

#### Pasco County:

https://avatar.pasco.k12.fl.us ESE-Autism Summer Institute Day 1 ESE-Autism Summer Institute Day 2 Jeannine Welch jwelch@pasco.k12.fl.us

#### • Pinellas County:

http://moodlelms.pcsb.org LMS# 1100014C-16/001 LMS# 1100014C-16/002 Stephanie Long – longst@pcsb.org

#### • Polk County:

https://pds.polk-fl.net/login.asp Section 16991 Denisse Santos - denisse.santos@polk-fl.net

All Other Counties Register Online: http://pepsa-si-2015.eventbrite.com
Katy Tapley —
kfostier@usf.edu or 813-974-9275

#### **Credits:**

Up to 10.5 OT and SLP CEUs Available.

Be sure to contact your ESE District Staff or Staff Development Contact to determine the process for receiving in-service.



