

# **Professional Development**

## **CENTRAL FLORIDA ASD SUMMER INSTITUTE** Hosted by: UCF CARD

The Institute will feature 5 days of seminars and workshops aimed at supporting new and seasoned teachers, paraprofessionals, and other educational staff in meeting the needs of students with ASD using evidence-based practices, while also maintaining their own positive mental attitude. Let's get the new year off to a great start! Join us for one or all days--you must register for each day separately! (more details on each day included on the registration link)

### **Schedule**

#### 2 Day ASD Boot Camp (July 29-30)

If you are a teacher new to teaching an ESE class designed to educate students with autism, or someone who has not completed the ASD endorsement, this is for you! Learn the TEACCH principles for classroom design that fosters independent work, use of visual and sensory supports for engagement, understanding and task completion, strategies for increasing direction following, data collection, IEP targets, prompting and chaining procedures that work, research-proven intensive teaching strategies, strategies to promote communication and play, sensory needs, scheduling and more.

#### Monday July 29: Preschoolers with ASD: What do I do with this kid?

If you are a preschool teacher, you have probably noticed that children with ASD have trouble with social relatedness, engagement with materials, and attention. Learn some specialized strategies to support PreK students with ASD in a variety of classroom types (VPK, ESE), and we will get a chance to practice with some littles too!

#### Tuesday July 30: Going Deeper into ASD support: Targeting the Big 5

Learn strategies to foster the big 5 skills needed to be successful in life during and after school. We will demonstrate strategies for developing organization and executive functioning, functional academics, emotional regulation and independent functioning skills that allow students to ready for work or college when they leave school (social skills gets its own day on Thursday).

#### Wednesday July 31: Teachers Just Wanna Have Fun (and learn from each other)

Ever feel isolated? Overwhelmed? Wish you could have time to talk to other teachers who are walking the same walk as you? Join with other teachers for an energizing day full of opportunities to share strategies, positive outcomes, innovative ideas, and work through fears and frustrations. We will talk about managing a team, communicating with parents, and we will hear from teachers in the trenches, and share ideas, materials, and more!

#### **Thursday August 1: Targeting Social Learning Concepts with Fun**

Three veteran teachers will take us on a journey through fun and creative activities to support social skill development and social thinking. The workshop represents work and materials that have evolved in a quest to address social cognition, activities to enhance social skills through naturalistic opportunities in thematic rotations across all ESE classrooms. Everything you learn will be things that are being done and can be done in the public schools in the state of Florida.

#### Friday August 2 Practical Functional Assessment (PFA) and Skill Based Treatment

Every teacher, school psychologist and behavior specialist will face an FBA, but how do you create a really good one that helps you pinpoint the strategies needed to replace that problem behavior? This session will provide an overview of the components of PFA/SBT, and explore practical applications specific to the classroom and public school setting. #1 rated presentation by at the 2024 CARD Conference. Click here to register for this session.



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#### Date:

July 29 - August 2, 2024 (choose sessions) 8:30 am - 3:30 pm

#### Location:

UCF Downtown Center 526 West Livingston Street Orlando, FL 32801

**Registration Deadline:** July 29, 2024

#### **Register HERE**

(Select which sessions you will attend) Registration is mandatory.



For more information contact: ucfcard@ucf.edu or (407) 823-6001

**Directions:** For directions, click HERE.

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

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