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Working with families & schools supporting students with Asperger's, ADHD, NLD, & ASD.

My Presentations:

Understanding Our Socially Challenged Children – Strategies for Classroom Teachers (AANE)

This presentation provides an opportunity to help educators understand, support and make appropriate accommodations for children with socially challenging disorders including Asperger's Syndrome, Autism Spectrum Disorders, Non-Verbal Learning Disorders, and Attention Deficit Hyper- Activity Disorder.

This workshop will help educators learn to: have positive home/school relationships, develop a repertoire of interventions, explicitly teach organizational skills and become more effective in supporting socially challenged children. Teachers will leave this workshop with specific techniques to help make school a more successful place for children with Asperger's. These are strategies and interventions that can be applied in a regular classroom setting by the classroom teacher. Educators will leave with an understanding of how to accommodate these children in their classrooms.

Available for ½ day (2 – 3 hours) or all day (6 hours).

"Social Skills: Why and How"

A workshop for learning helpful strategies to integrate social skills into home and school for children with Asperger's, Autism Spectrum Disorders, Non-Verbal Learning Disorders & Attention Deficit Hyper-Activity Disorder

The goals of this workshop are to help educational professionals learn new strategies to incorporate social skills to support students in home and school. Teachers will learn how to help children be successful – in school and life, they will take away strategies that can be implemented right away in their classrooms. Professionals will learn to work effectively as part of a team to help support the development of social skills in the ASD population.

Available for ½ day (2 – 3 hours) or all day (6 hours).

Workshop for After School Staff:

This workshop is for after school providers, educators and other professionals who work in After School Programs. The workshop is titled “Understanding Our Socially Challenged Students” subtitled, “Helping After School Programs Support Children with Social Challenges.”

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Available for 2 hours.

Bullying Issues and Asperger’s Students:

This workshop is designed to help educational professionals understand the effects of bullying behavior on the Asperger’s population. Students with Asperger’s are easy targets for teasing and bullying especially at our Middle and High schools. Research shows that interrupting this behavior helps to make the student with Asperger’s feel safe and understood as well as improving their relationships with their typically developing peers. This workshop will present strategies and ideas to help educators understand how to support the Asperger’s population in their school.

Available for 2 hours.

Advocating For Your Child with AS In Public Schools (AANE)

This two-hour workshop is designed to help empower parents as advocates for their children. Parents need to understand Asperger Syndrome and learn all the specifics about how it affects their child. Participants will learn about IEPs vs. 504's, services needed in school, and even NH law. But how does it all fit together? How do parents best advocate for their children? This workshop answers these questions and more about how to work with your school. Everyone will leave with a handout to help with planning that can be used each year. Discussion/questions follow the lecture and individualized phone support is available following the workshop if needed.

Asperger's Syndrome: Effective Communication between Home and School

This hour and a half workshop discusses the ways in which schools and families can work together to support children with Asperger's Syndrome. This population of students is often misunderstood by educators, and parents can be very emotional in trying to advocate for their child. The major points covered in this workshop are: to help parents advocate more effectively for their AS child, to strengthen communication between classroom teachers and others working with AS children, and to help promote understanding, minimize distress, & facilitate cooperation between home and school. This workshop will help you begin to make school a more successful place for your AS students or children.

