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EXPERIENCE

Adjunct Professor Fitchburg State University, Fitchburg MA, 2010 & 2011

Co-taught MA Department of Education Educator Summer Institute Meeting the Academic and Non-Academic Needs of Students with Asperger Syndrome.

- Institute content includes (but not limited to): current special education law, understanding accommodations for students with AS in general education classrooms, transition to higher education for students with disabilities, families' perspectives, and the importance of self-understanding and self-advocacy with AS students.
- Responsibilities include: registration, content development, teaching, grading, project management and other related tasks.

Associate Director/Director of Training & Consultation, 2008 – present

Asperger's Association of New England (AANE)

- Duties include training & presentations, consultations with schools and families, employee supervision - including employees with Asperger Syndrome, conference planning, assisting day to day operations, and management of various grants.
- Training opportunities comprise schools – public, private, colleges, community groups, parent organizations, mental health and insurance groups, as well as other non-profits.

Pragmatic/Social Skills Groups, 2005 – 2008

- Organized and managed after school social & recreational groups, consulted with families and schools, ran a monthly parent support group and presented workshops on understanding students with social challenges.
- Worked with a variety of students from the elementary, middle and high school level.

Environmental Education Teacher, 1996 – 2001

Tin Mountain Conservation, Conway, NH

- Work consisted of classroom visits and field trips throughout the year bringing environmental science and natural history programs to complement existing curricula in northern New Hampshire and western Maine schools.

Teacher of the Deaf, 1994 – 1995

Madison Elementary, Madison, NH

- Interpreting and supporting a student with hearing loss in a third grade classroom.

Third Grade Teacher, 1983 – 1994

Madison Elementary School, Madison NH

PRESENTATIONS

Presenter Transitions High School to Higher Education - Options for Students with Learning Differences

Lynn University Boca Raton FL, 2011

"Supporting-College Bound Students with Asperger Syndrome"

Presenter CHADD Annual International Conference

Washington, DC and Anaheim, CA, 2006 & 2007

"Understanding Socially Challenged Students: AD/HD & Asperger's"

Presenter SERESC NH Professional Educational Consortium (ongoing)

Promoting Social Skills

Presenter for UNH Professional Development & Training (ongoing)

"Understanding Our Socially Challenged Children"

"Social Skills: Why and How"

"Addressing Bullying Issues with the Asperger's Population"

Presenter for PESI National Continuing Education Seminars and Lorman Educational Services

"Understanding Our Socially Challenged Children – How to Effectively

Support Children with Asperger's in a Classroom Setting"

Presenter at the 10th Annual NLDA Symposium in San Francisco, 2006

"Parents + Teachers = School Success"

Presenter at the NH Teachers of English Spring Conference, 2006 & 2007

"Understanding Our Socially Challenged Students" for Middle School Teachers

CONFERENCE DEVELOPMENT

Created, developed and managed:

AANE's Cape Cod Summer Conference 2009, 2010, 2011

Asperger Academy for Parents 2010, 2011

Asperger Academy for Professionals 2010, 2011

PAST PROFESSIONAL BOARDS

AANE - NH (*Asperger's Association of New England*)

Leadership Board Member – Co-Director

Easter Seals/Northern Human Services

Autism Steering Committee for the North Country

NH Connections

North Country Collaborate for Autism

Valley Outreach

Coalition of agencies and professionals supporting area families

NCC4A – North Country Collaborative for Autism

1st Annual Autism Symposium for the North Country

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCES

MA & NH Legislature

Collaborated on and testified at the MA legislative hearings on the bullying bill that passed in 2010

Member of ASD subcommittee of the NH Autism Task Force which helped to pass the autism legislation in NH this past year

Mount Washington Valley NH

Valley Outreach: Community initiative for positively impacting youth

Vision to Action: Valley Outreach subcommittee

Kennett High School Equity Team: A coalition to reduce bullying and harassing behavior

AWARDS

Carroll County Conservation Teacher of the Year

NH State Forest Society Environmental Teacher of the Year

EDUCATION

Antioch New England Graduate School, Keene NH 2009

Experienced Educators Masters Program

Mentorship Training Program San Jose, CA 2006

Michelle Garcia Winner's Center for Social Thinking

Antioch New England Graduate School, Keene NH 2004

Autism Spectrum Disorders Certificate Program with specialized training in pragmatic/social skills

University of Massachusetts, Amherst MA 1979

Bachelors of Arts in Education

REFERENCES

Jean Stern M.S. Educational Consultant jeanstern@comcast.net

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