

THE AUTISM SERIES

Autism is currently the fastest growing developmental disability in the country. It is important for parents and professionals to understand autism and learn best practices for educating children with autism in our schools and communities. The possibilities are endless for our children! Please join SUPAC, Central ECDC and the Syracuse University School of Education for this two-part series on educating children with autism.

SESSION 1: SUPPORTING LEARNING AND COMMUNICATION THROUGH IPAD TECHNOLOGY

OCTOBER 20, 2011
6:00-8:30PM

Presented by Christy Ashby, Ph.D., Syracuse University

This interactive session will focus on the use of iPad technology to support the communication and academic access of students with autism as well as other disabilities. We will discuss the benefits of this type of mobile technology and consider the basic functionality of the iPad. Much of the time will be devoted to exploring new and innovative apps that will support social and academic engagement. If you have an iPad, please bring it along. We will bring a few devices and accessories as well.



SESSION 2: IN-CLASS SUPPORT OF STUDENTS WITH AUTISM

OCTOBER 27, 2011
6:00-8:30PM

Presented by Julie Causton-Theoharis, Ph.D. Syracuse University



This engaging presentation will focus on the utilization of paraprofessionals to support student learning and social interaction. We will discuss the benefits and drawbacks of one-on-one adult support. We will spend most of the time learning about the most effective ways to support students in the context of general education. We encourage you to invite your child's Paraprofessional, 1:1, Teacher or Teachers Assistant to attend this session with you so that you can work collaboratively for your child.

All families are welcome, not just those affected by autism.

VENDORS AND OTHER INFORMATIONAL RESOURCES WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE.

**Location: Madison-Oneida BOCES
Triplex Seminar Rooms T8 & T9
4937 Spring Road
Verona, NY 13478
315-361-5654**

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by phone at (315) 443-4336 or toll free 877-824-9555; or by email at supac@syr.edu



Syracuse University Parent Advocacy Center brings together faculty, students and staff with members of the community to provide parents with information, resources and expertise to promote meaningful involvement in their children's education. The SUPAC is funded by a grant from the New York State Office of Special Education and is a project of the SU Center on Human Policy, Law, and Disability Studies and is located on the Syracuse University campus.



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