



TULARE COUNTY/ DISTRICT  
SPECIAL EDUCATION LOCAL PLAN AREA  
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Approved for Autism Certification

**February 7, 2012**

Tulare County Office of Education, Education Center, 2637 W. Burrel Ave., Visalia

**Presenter: Diagnostic Center, Central California**

## Bullying & Asperger Syndrome

■ **TIME** 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

This training is designed to highlight the high incidence of bullying in the population of students with Asperger Syndrome. The emphasis will be on how to create supportive and safe school environments where all students are protected. Specific strategies will be presented to guide educators in supporting students to lessen the likelihood of bullying, as well as teaching responses to bullying to ensure safety. Participants will be able to:

- List the characteristics of Asperger Syndrome that make this population so vulnerable to bullying
- Demonstrate awareness of research-based strategies to use at school and classroom levels to minimize bullying through discussion activities
- List specific strategies that will support and empower the student with Asperger Syndrome and reduce the likelihood of bullying.

## Peer Training

■ **TIME** 12:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

This workshop will explore various types of peer training, including Project LEAP, peer networking, Integrated Play Groups, buddy skills and circle of friends, peer-initiation training, and peer-mediated social interaction trainings. Suggestions for careful selection of peers, thoughtful planning and facilitation of play and social activities will be presented. Participants will be able to:

- Understand the various kinds of peer training groups and interventions
- Understand how to train peers to produce positive outcomes for both peers and the child with ASD
- Understand the basic components of peer training, including teaching peers how to get the attention of the child with ASD, facilitate sharing, provide help and affection, model appropriate play skills and how to be a "good buddy"
- Understand how to organize play activities in a structured fashion to maximize engagement, participation and social success.

**1.5 CPDUs** are available from Tulare County Office of Education (PDP 50) for licensed Speech and Language Specialists. Course meets the qualifications for continuing professional development credits as required by the California Speech/Language Pathology & Audiology Board.

**1.5 CEUs** are available from Tulare County Office of Education (PCE 1905) for MFT and/or LCSW. A written response to the course content will be required. Course meets the qualifications for continuing education credit as required by the California Board of Behavioral Sciences.

**1.5 NSPC** - National School Psychologist Certification hours are available.

**TARGET AUDIENCE** (both workshops)  
Parents, General & Special Education Teachers, Psychologists, Speech/Language Specialists, Site Administrators and Instructional Assistants

**REGISTER ONLINE!** Log on to the OMS online event calendar by going to - <http://tulare.k12oms.org>  
1) Locate the workshop on the calendar and click on the name of the event;  
2) Follow prompts to register for the event;  
3) Click on the "submit" button.

LIMITED TO 75 PARTICIPANTS

*Coffee, Tea & Water Provided*



If you need accommodations for a disability to attend the workshop, please let us know