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

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Autism Instructional Strategies for Literacy, Numeracy & Comprehension

■ **TIME** 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

The unique language and learning characteristics of individuals with autism, often create challenges for educators and parents searching for strategies and resources. This presentation will provide an overview of evidence-based practices and supporting materials designed to enhance instruction for students with ASD and accelerate their learning in literacy, numeracy and comprehension. Participants will be able to:

- Link specific strategies to student learning needs
- Take ideas back to the classroom for creating individualized materials to target learning areas and address academic content standards
- Recognize that comprehension is a complex skill involving a range of interlocking components, such as language and pragmatic capacities; motivation and interest, and cognitive difficulties in integrating information.

Story Based Interventions

■ **TIME** 12:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

The National Standards Project considers Story-Based Intervention Packages as an “established” treatment for individuals with autism spectrum disorders. Social Stories are one of the strategies that can help individuals recognize the impact of their behavior on others; develop new skills and the motivation to use them; and effectively navigate difficult situations.

Participants will be able to:

- Understand the research and theory behind Social Stories and how they can be an effective intervention for a variety of student needs.
- Develop story-based interventions based on individual student needs using specific strategies that are research-based.

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

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- 2) Follow prompts to register for the event;
- 3) Click on the “submit” button.

LIMITED TO 75 PARTICIPANTS

*Coffee, Tea &
Water Provided*



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