

Enhancing the Classroom Experience with American Sign Language

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Location: Monmouth Mall, Lower Level
180 Route 35 (Routes 35 & 36)
Eatontown, NJ 07724

For directions to the Mall, go to the back of the brochure or our website at: www.rpdacademy.org

Time: 8:30 am Registration and Coffee
9:00 am - 1:00 pm Seminar presentation
(Lunch will not be provided)

Fee: No charge for Collaborative Members
\$100 per person for Non-Collaborative Districts (non-refundable)

Overview: In an attempt to reach all learners, teachers and paraprofessionals are enhancing their students' academic and social emotional learning experiences by bringing American Sign Language into their classrooms. Staff members are focusing more on utilizing this multi-modality measure for behavior modification, promoting language and literacy development, aiding in positive peer interaction, and assisting in speech production. During past workshops, we have learned a multitude of signs together in single isolation, songs, functional phrases, and activities, such as enhancing morning meeting and circle time, fingerspelling common words, and centers. Now is the time to move to the next step and learn how to implement the signs into daily greetings and salutations, therapy integration, songs for holiday shows for parents, utilization during one on one intense teaching sessions with data collection, and functional communication throughout your day. This is geared to allow teachers, paraprofessionals, and parents to practice interacting through sign language, in a safe and supportive teaching environment. This is a hands-on workshop requiring active participation.

Outcome

Objectives: Participants will gain knowledge and skills in:

- Reviewing basic sign vocabulary.
- Stringing signs together to complete thoughts.
- Increasing fluency of manual language.
- Learning songs to support holiday shows.
- Learning how to use sign language to enhance all aspects of your day.

P.D.U.: 4.0 hours

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