

BACK TO SCHOOL JITTERS SERIES:

Engaging Children with Complex Communication Needs:

Participation & Communication During Virtual Sessions with Fun/Simple Activities

Thursday, September 24, 2020 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

0.1 ASHA CEUs (Introductory Level, Professional Area) or 1 PDCH

COST: FREE to Current OSSPEAC Members; Non-Member - \$20

In school districts throughout the state, speech and language services have moved to virtual delivery due to COVID-19. Keeping students with complex communication needs engaged and motivated can sometimes be challenging. Ensuring students actively participate, communicate and practice social routines in virtual sessions requires some creativity. In this session, we will discuss simple, fun activities that promote engagement and participation. We will review IEP goals that can be addressed during these activities. Additionally, we will discuss ways to involve parents in sessions to maximize teachable moments for students and families.

MEET OUR PRESENTER:

Tina Moreno, M.A. CCC-SLP is a speech-language pathologist with the Cuyahoga County Board of Developmental Disabilities (CCBDD). She earned her undergraduate degree from Kent State University and attained her Master's degree in Speech-Language Pathology from Cleveland State University. At the CCBDD, Tina serves individuals 3 and up in a continuum of settings, including homes, schools, workplaces, community residences and day programs. She evaluates the communication needs of students from preschool through transition years with an emphasis on AAC assessment and implementation, training, and collaborating with educational teams and families. She currently serves as a volunteer Co-Director of Camp ALEC, a week-long, overnight summer camp that focuses on literacy and AAC designed for children with complex communication needs offered in Grand Rapids, MI each summer. There, educators receive intensive training in evidence-based assessment and instructional strategies in literacy for children with complex communication needs. She has presented statewide on AAC and literacy at OSSPEAC, Milestones and Ocalicon. Additionally, this year she will present at Closing the Gap and be a keynote speaker at #TalkingAAC. Tina's own son, Mateo, has used an AAC device as his voice for 17 years and she is passionate about empowering all children with language and literacy.

Tina has no relevant financial or non-financial information to disclose.

Learner Outcomes:


Participants will be able to:

1. Identify 4 adaptable activities that promote engagement, communication and participation for students with complex communication needs during virtual learning sessions
2. List 3 common IEP goals related to communication that may be addressed during virtual learning sessions
3. Identify 3 tools for helping parents be involved in the virtual learning sessions to maximize participation and learning

Tentative Agenda

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| 7:00 - 7:10 | Review of communication systems |
| 7:10 - 7:20 | Tools for involving parents in session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Setting up the learning environment • Establishing purpose for activity • Helping parents model what's expected • Providing visual supports when needed |
| 7:20 - 7:50 | Describe 5-7 activities and tools that promote engagement, participation and communication. Examples include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I Spy • Help me draw • What's cooking? • Scavenger hunt • Guess who? • Spinner • Predictable chart writing |
| 7:50 - 8:00 | Considerations for IEP goals related communication |

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Registration will be limited to 100 and will close on Monday, September 21st at 6:00 p.m. Participants will receive instructions and login information by Tuesday, September 22nd via email. If you don't receive login info., please contact Ellen at info@osspeac.org or 888-258-1032.