

Training in Core Social Skills

Summer Interactive Skills Sessions



Our goal is to help children enhance their ability to understand group interaction, and build skills in interacting with others in a successful and comfortable way.

Description:

This is a fun week-long therapeutic and psychoeducational group consisting of 5 sessions. Each session is 3 or 3.5 hours. We will be inviting students to help develop and participate in fun and interesting activities in which they will engage with others. During each session, the facilitators will be assessing the needs of the child while he or she participates in activities or discussions, and providing coaching to be as successful as possible. We may invite participants to be involved in such activities as wide games, conversations, cooking activities, scavenger hunts, card/board games, or group building, construction and art projects. We will invite suggestions from the students before and during the first day. There will be a parent session before the start of the program, where Corinne can provide parents with an overview of the language and philosophy we use with the children we work with, so that parents may coach their child at home to help generalize the skills outside of the program.

Emphasis will be on the following:

- Creating opportunities for participants to engage in social interaction.
- Providing "on the spot" coaching to participants to help them overcome barriers they experience in relation to social interaction.
- Providing a safe and caring environment for students to develop skills in connecting with others in a successful way.
- Teaching conversational skills, cooperation and problem solving skills, inviting, questioning and initiating skills in a fun and interactive way.

Program #1

July 17-21, 2017

6-9 year olds: 9:00am - noon
10-12 year olds: 1:00pm - 4:30pm

Parent meeting Sat. July 15 at 9:30am

Program #2

July 24-28, 2017

8-11 year olds: 9:00am - noon
12-15 year olds: 1:00pm - 4:30pm

Parent meeting Sat. July 15 at 9:30am

Program #3

August 21-25, 2017

6-9 year olds: 9:00am - noon
10-12 year olds: 1:00pm - 4:30pm

Parent meeting Sat. Aug. 19 at 9:30am

Children can register for one or both program dates!

Location: Rio Terrace Church (15108 – 76 avenue)

Cost: Please call or email our office to inquire about costs.

*Cost of psychological services are reimbursed by many employee extended health insurance plans, and some children's services agencies if you are a client. FSCD approves this program as respite for its clients. Appropriate receipts will be provided.

Registration:

Email: office@eckertchildpsych.ca or call (780) 454-4634 to discuss whether this group would be appropriate for your child. A telephone intake interview will be scheduled and if the program will be a good fit for your child, a registration form will then be emailed to you.

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*Prior program participants do not need to do an intake interview.

