• Curriculum and Instruction for Students with Autism Spectrum Disorder •

Presenter: Kathryn Whitaker

Who should attend: Special educators and administrators, classroom teachers, paraeducators, parents & advocates

<u>**WORKSHOPS ONLY**</u>   **September 26 and October 3, 2014**

Day One - 9/26/14: Setting the Stage: On the first day, participants will break into teams and will have opportunities to work collaboratively to develop teaming skills. This session will include a brief review of autism characteristics as they relate to learning styles and overview of structured teaching and participants will identify those characteristics as they manifest in one of their own students (or a case study if they do not currently have a student). Participants will design a structured activity for their respective students (make and take).

Day Two - 10/3/14: Day two will include an exploration of instructional strategies with opportunities to role play with partners. Topics will include prompting, reinforcement principles, discrete trials and more. Participants will design a plan for the path from 1:1 instruction to generalization for their respective students to take back and apply.

3 Credit Graduate Course: Start with the 2 workshops and finish up on-line.

This course will provide participants with an overview of assessment, curriculum and instructional strategies based on current research for children with autism spectrum disorder. Collaborative teaming and inclusion will also be discussed and practiced as an integral part of the course structure. The course will address students at all ability levels and focus on the development of academic skills, including reading (comprehension and production), writing (expression and mechanics) and math (operations and problem solving). Students taking the course will be expected to conduct a comprehensive review of research for children with ASD and apply their knowledge through an individualized case study.

Dates:	September 26 and October 3, 2014
Time:	8:30-3:30
Place:	Central VT Chamber of Commerce - Berlin, VT
Cost:	Workshop: $175 per day
Course:	$1494 (includes workshops and on-line component)

Learn more and register at: http://www.vthec.org