



## • Power Struggles: What to do When a Student Says "Make Me!" •

**Presenter: Jon Udis**

**Who should attend?** Classroom Teachers, Principals, Special Educators, Paraprofessionals, After-School Staff, Guidance Counselors, Planning Room/In-School Suspension Supervisors

**Why you should attend this seminar:** It is inevitable: weather, taxes and power struggles with students. Often difficult to resolve, these conflicts take valuable instructional time away from other students, disrupt the classroom climate and are emotionally draining for both the adult and the student.

During this engaging and fun seminar, participants will:

- Explore assumptions about why adult-student power struggles occur.
- Learn why threats and punishments rarely resolve the conflict.
- Discover underlying reasons why students engage adults in this unproductive and self-defeating behavior.
- Identify adult responses that escalate the conflict.
- Learn multiple strategies for avoiding and minimizing power struggles.
- Learn multiple strategies for de-escalating and productively resolving the conflict.
- Develop a take-home strategy to use during the next power struggle.

Please note: This seminar will not teach physical restraint techniques. The strategies highlighted during this session are not a good match for staff who are working with and supporting students with significant language impairment.

**Dates:** November 8, 2017

**Place:** Killington Mountain Lodge  
Killington, VT

**Cost:** \$190 (lunch included)

**Time:** 8:30-3:30

