



• A Systematic Approach to Teaching Socialization and Play for Young Learners •

Presenter: Chris Knippenberg, M.S., OTR/L, ATP

Who should attend: Teachers, special educators, parents, community providers, related service providers, paraeducators and others

Addressing social skills is an important part of any preschool curriculum, but many children with autism and other developmental challenges need targeted instruction to learn how to play both on their own and with others. Join this dynamic, hands-on WORKshop to learn how to reduce barriers for children who struggle with social play. We will review the theoretical foundations of early play and play-based social interactions, explore a variety of practical examples, learn to identify specific levels of social play, and create goal-driven intervention plans for your students.

This is a make-and-take WORKshop, so you will also be creating a set of thematic instructional materials that you can take with you to use Monday morning.

Chris Knippenberg has over 40 years experience as an Occupational Therapist and has been working in schools since 1977. She has extensive training in sensory integration, autism interventions, and is a certified assistive technology professional.

Comments from 2018 Participants

“The hands-on activities and application were amazing. I love that I can take these materials with practical ideas on how to implement right away.”

“The make and take materials were so great and learning how to use them in multiple ways was so helpful. The video examples had many great ideas.”

“As a special education teacher in an inclusive setting, I love the focus on teaching functional play skills and the implementation in the natural environment with peers.”

Date: April 5, 2019
Time: 8:30-3:30
Place: Lake Morey Resort
Fairlee, VT
Cost: \$190 (lunch included)



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