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WORKING EFFECTIVELY WITH STUDENTS ON THE AUTISM SPECTRUM AND THE GROWN-UPS WHO COME WITH THEM

Are you effectively reaching and teaching your students on the spectrum? Do their parents and guardians accept your observations and recommendations? And (be honest!) do you welcome theirs? No? Let's change that!

As increasing numbers of students on the autism spectrum are placed in inclusive classrooms, general educators and staff members are being stretched in "special" directions. This dynamic, interactive workshop looks at students on the autism spectrum both specifically and holistically to help you help them in differentiated and equitable ways.

In the first part of this session, we will explore challenges related to anxiety, sensation, socialization, engagement, cognition, behavior, and more. Participants will collect strategies for pre-empting and addressing barriers to learning by reimagining the classroom and curriculum through the eyes, ears, noses, toes, and perspectives of students on the spectrum.

Meanwhile, like every other student, each student on the spectrum is a whole child within a unique family, cultural, and community context. Students on the spectrum depend heavily on continuity of messaging across contexts in order to assimilate new skills. And yet, their parents and guardians are often the hardest to engage. In the second part of this session, we will deconstruct that disconnect, looking at what often goes awry in parent-teacher communications, and exploring the intersectional challenges that affect families in ways that may be exacerbated by autism. Participants will gather strategies for broaching touchy topics with parents and guardians and for collaborating in ways that promote transparency, mutual trust, and follow-through.

From this dynamic presentation, participants will take away new sensibilities and new sensitivities as well as strategies for establishing a cohesive inclusive environment, building powerful partnerships, optimizing achievement, and bringing out the very best in the children we share.

Barbara Boroson has worked in autism education for more than twenty-five years. As a clinical social worker, she specialized with students on the autism spectrum and went on to become a special ed school administrator. Several years later, Barbara had her own child on the autism spectrum. Today, Barbara brings her compelling dual perspective as an autism educator and autism parent to all the work she does, helping educators work effectively with students on the spectrum, and also seeking to bridge the common communication chasms between educators and families. Barbara is the author of several books, including *The General Education Teacher's Guide to Autism: Essential Answers to Key Questions* (Solution Tree, October 2022), *Decoding Autism and Leading the Way to Successful Inclusion* (ASCD, 2020).

**Live In-Person
and Live Streamed**
9:00 - 3:00 CST
November 15, 2022
NIU Naperville
1120 E. Diehl Road
Naperville, IL 60563

5 PD Hours
Free Parking
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Grades Pre K - 12



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Early Bird (10/1/22) Each	IL ASCD member Each	1 Person Each	2 People Each	3 People Each	Student/ Retiree Each
___\$179	___\$199	___\$248*	___ \$228**	___\$218**	___\$109**

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