William Paterson University
and
Bergen County Special Services

AccessAbilities 2011

Reaching & Teaching All Learners through Technology

Thursday, January 13, 2011 • 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
1600 Valley Road • Wayne, NJ 07470

The seventh annual AccessAbilities Conference brings the latest research and information about augmentative/ assistive communication technology to the tri-state area.   This year's focus is on nurturing the success of the P-12 student in all educational settings through the use of assistive technology (AT) and augmentative alternative communication (AAC).   Workshop leaders will present a wide range of practical applications in high and low technology for students with learning and developmental disabilities. The conference addresses the needs of educators seeking to enhance their students' mastery of general education and functional goals. Classroom teachers, special education teachers, speech-language specialists, CST members, administrators, and parents are invited to join us for an informative and stimulating day devoted to best practices in technology for augmentative/assistive communication.

KEYNOTE ADDRESS
David Marra, Apple — *Apple and Accessibility -- Making Technology Available to All Learners*
Discover new ways Apple is making exciting technology available to all learners as part of its ongoing commitment to accessibility. For over 20 years, the Mac has been shipped with dozens of accessibility features built in, at no additional cost, allowing it to be used right out of the box by people with disabilities. Now, with the innovative new iPod and iPad, Apple continues to set the standard by taking accessibility and learning to a whole new level.

FEATURED PRESENTATIONS
Concurrent Session #1 (8:30 – 9:30 a.m. or 8:30 – 10:00 a.m.)

Carolyn Bennett, Keyboard consultants, Inc., *The SMART Way to Provide Learning Opportunities for All Learners (UDL)*

Holly DeLeon, LiveScribe, *A Teacher in My Pocket – Extending the Instruction*

Drew Giehl, Bergen County Special Services, *Classroom Ergonomics for the Special Education Teacher*

Roberto Nachajon, M.D., Chief of Pediatric Pulmonology and **Wenland Xia, M.D**., Pediatric Neurologist, The Children's Hospital at St. Joseph's, *Differential Diagnosis and Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder*

Kim Parra, Bergen County Special Services, *Assistive Technologies to Support Reading*

Diane Tirtilli, Barbara Costagliola, and **Nancy White**, Bergen County Special Services, *Co-Teaching: Strategies for Successful Collaboration*

Rina Williams & Toni Howard, Bergen County Special Services, *Occupational Therapy Tricks of the Trade: Ideas to Enhance Classroom Performance*

Concurrent Session #2 (10:00 – 11:00 a.m.)

Laurel Corsini, custom design business owner/retired special education teacher, *Websites for Classroom Teachers*

Mark DeBenedictis, Bergen County Special Services, *Using MS Word as an Assistive Technology*

Nancy Holahan, M.D., Pediatrician, The Children's Hospital at St. Joseph's, *Children and Failure: The Gift of Resilience*

Adam Krass, Adam Krass Consulting, LLS and past President of NJCART, *DIY AT Consideration*

Tracy Lee, Cerebral Palsy of North Jersey, *AAC: The Power of Core Vocabulary*

Cynthia Mills, Susan Lesh, and **Maria Stanziana-Minnino**, Bergen County Special Services, *Comparison of High-Tech AAC Devices*

Farrah Rosenthal, Bergen County Special Services, *Smart Board Web 2.0*

Concurrent Session #3 (1:00 – 2:00 p.m.)

Christine Besko-Maughan, William Paterson University*, Communication on the Go with Proloquo2Go*

Amy Dougherty, Augmentative Communication Consulting, LLC, *Say it My Way— Implement Word Based Vocabulary Programs*

Brian Friedlander, College of St. Elizabeth's, *Innovative Uses for Digital Pen Technology*

Wendy Gill*, Bergen County Special Services*, *Smart Board Tips & Tricks*

Jeff Greaves, Texthelp Systems, *Texthelp Systems: Helping All Readers and Writers Succeed*

Nicole Lucarrelli, DynaVox Technologies, *Say Anything, Go Anywhere – DynaVox Product Overview & InterAACT Language System*

Mike Marotta, Advancing Opportunities, *Web 2.0 in the Classroom*

Dave Marra, Apple, *A Classroom in Your Pocket: The iPod as a Learning Tool*

Cynthia Mills, Susan Lesh, and **Maria Stanziana-Minnino**, Bergen County Special Services, *Comparison of No-Tech/Low-Tech AAC Devices*

Louise Ortiz and **Judith Fiorica**, Bergen County Special Services, *21st Century Classroom Solutions for Students with Disabilities*

Concurrent Session #4 (2:00 – 3:15 p.m.)

Katie Buononoto, Jane Ledingham, and **Susan Straquadanio**, Bergen County Special Services, Successful *Inclusion of Students with Hearing Loss into the Mainstream and Related Audiological Technology*

Janet DeSenzo, jantech Education Services, *Kurzweil 3000: Practical Ideas for Classroom Use*

David Goldberg, Tobii ATI, *Tobii Communicator: An Intuitive Way to Communicate*

David Kay, Prentke Romich Company, *Introduction to LAMP: Language Acquisition through Motor Planning*

Dave Marra, Apple, **Christine Besko-Maughan**, William Paterson University, **Mary Bosco**, Bergen County Special Services and **Nicole Magaldi**, William Paterson University, *Meet the Experts: Bring Your Questions & Concerns...Explore & Discuss Possible Solutions.*

Kim Parra, Bergen County Special Services, *Bookshare: Subscribe, Download and Read!*

Patti Wojtowica, Andrea Vaccaro, Frank Appleton and **Steve Nalbone**, Bergen County Special Services, Accessing Opportunities for Youth with Disabilities - *Community Based Instruction (CBI) and Post Secondary Options*

For descriptions of each workshop, visit http://www.wpunj.edu/cpe/education/conferences-and-institutes.dot

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