

Educator's Guide to Conference



Why should an educator attend the conference?

The Minnesota Autism Conference is a great place for educators to stay up to date on the latest best practices and research for autism. Not only will you walk away with practical strategies that will help you with everything from behaviors to social skills, you also will connect with other educators. This is THE place for an educator to be for the most comprehensive information on autism. This guide will help you find the sessions and resources that are tailored for educators. All participants will receive a Certificate of Attendance you can use for CEUs.

Recommended Sessions for Educators

Conference Keynote Presentations

- Wednesday April 15, 9-10:15 a.m.
Breaking Barriers: Ending Bias in Autism Diagnosis presented by Maria Davis-Pierre
- Thursday, April 16, 9-10:15 a.m.
Supporting Students to Find Autistic Joy Through Evidence-Based Practice presented by Erin Farrell

Conference Breakout Presentations

Wednesday, April 15

10:30-11:30 a.m.

- Practical Support Strategies & Approaches for Educators of Neurodivergent Learners presented by Nicole Ogren

11:45 a.m.-12:45 p.m.

- Redefining Leadership: Beyond Neurotypical Models presented by Erin Flicker
- From Awareness to Belonging: Closing the Social Reciprocity Gap presented by Robin McLeod

Thursday, April 16

10:30-11:30 a.m.

- Beyond PBIS: Rewiring Classrooms Through Regulation, Relationship, and Respect presented by Rebecca Engle

11:45 a.m.-12:45 p.m.

- Coaching Parents Toward Self-Reflection: Building Stronger Connections with Neurodivergent Children presented by Alyssa Norenberg and Oana Zayic

What's Next

If you're looking for more resources to expand your autism toolbox, AuSM is a great place to be involved year-round! Check out our ASD Direct Support Certification course, a 15-hour intensive class that will give you strategies for working with students on the spectrum. We also offer customized training on a wide variety of topics. Contact education@ausm.org for more information. Check our website for upcoming workshops, including Supporting Autistic People With Higher Support Needs: Tools for Communication, Choice, and Quality of Life on June 11.

To stay in the know, make sure you visit www.ausm.org to sign up for our twice monthly e-newsletter, AuSM Connections. You can find the sign up at the bottom of any page on AuSM's website. Finally, if you're looking for a way to fill those summer hours, AuSM is currently seeking staff for our summer camps. Spend your summer at the best place in the world.

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