

Practical Solutions Conference
Saturday, April 30, 2011
8:00 AM to 3:00 PM
University of Central Oklahoma
100 N. University Dr.
Edmond, Oklahoma 73034
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Two great sessions offering practical solutions to help your child/student with Down syndrome succeed

Practical Solutions for Educating Students with Down Syndrome

Over 5,000 parents and educators across the country have attended this workshop and rated it highly. Designed to help you understand how to successfully engage, instruct and enjoy your student with Down syndrome, this workshop will provide an overview of the specific learning needs characteristic of students with Down syndrome. Tips, strategies and solutions relevant to pre-school through high school will be covered.

Practical Solutions for Opening Doors to Friendships for Students with Down Syndrome

This interactive session will address the common issues students with Down syndrome have in making and keeping friends. The presenter will teach you how to provide meaningful classroom peer presentations at any grade level that will open the doors to friendships. Sample materials will be shared which you can personalize to your child or student's needs to help their peers understand what it might be like to live with Down syndrome. Strategies and suggestions for building social support networks will also be discussed. There will be plenty of time for questions from attendees as well.

Important topics covered in these sessions:

- Barriers to friendships
- Peer presentations
- Friendship building skills
- Improving communication
- Teaching independence
- Simple curriculum adaptations
- Setting a students day up for success
- Productive parent/school partnerships
- How to change behavior
- Creating social opportunities

Your Presenters:



Bridget Murphy is in her third term as the President of the Down Syndrome Guild of Greater Kansas City. She is the proud mother to Jack who is 20 and has DS and is now attending the University of Iowa. Murphy has spearheaded many award-winning national initiatives, including the Practical Solutions workshops, to assist families and professionals across the country. Together they will share humorous stories and real life examples which will challenge attendees to create a new vision for increasing independence and promoting social inclusion for students with Down syndrome.



Amy Allison has served as the Executive Director for the Down Syndrome Guild of Greater Kansas City, one of the largest DS groups in the nation, since 2003. In addition to innovative programs and numerous local and national awards, she recently launched the Down Syndrome Affiliates in Action trade association, an initiative that allows the non-profit's leaders from across the United States to share their best management practices. She has 16 years of experience working with individuals with Down syndrome

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**Don't wait!
Register today.**

**Registration deadline
April 20, 2011**

*Registration fee is \$30 per person
which includes the following:
Seminar, breakfast, lunch and parking.*

*There are a limited number of
scholarships available and they
will be extended on a first come,
first serve basis.*

Practical Solutions Conference Registration Form

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Your registration includes breakfast, lunch, both workshops and certificate of attendance. Please duplicate this form as needed to register multiple attendees. **Sorry, no onsite registration will be accepted.** Parking is available in any visitor lot on campus.

Name: _____

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Please add me to the DSACO mailing list

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I am enclosing a check made payable to DSACO

I am requesting a scholarship to attend

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