

FAU Children's Friendship Training



The FAU Communication Disorders Clinic (CDC) offers social skills groups for children in 2nd to 6th grade and their parents.



In collaboration with the
FAU Center for Autism and
Related Disabilities
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What is Children's Friendship Training?

An evidence-based social skills treatment group where children learn how to make and keep friends. Parents attend to learn how to support their children in friendship development.

Who can attend?

Children in 2nd to 6th grade who have Autism Spectrum Disorder or a related disability. This group is appropriate for children who have fluent verbal language skills, are able to follow basic classroom rules, and have average to above average cognitive abilities.

Children's Friendship Training is an evidence-based treatment program developed by Fred Frankel, Ph.D., ABPP, and Robert Myatt, Ph.D. at the UCLA Semel Institute for Neuroscience and Human Behavior to teach elementary school-aged children with high functioning ASD and other social difficulties how to make and keep friends. Some of the topics that will be addressed over the course of treatment include: Conversational skills, Finding common interests, Joining games, Good sportsmanship, Changing your reputation, Appropriate playdate behavior, Handling teasing and bullying, and Managing conflicts with adults and peers.

When will the group occur?

The treatment is 12 weeks long and meets every Tuesday afternoon from 5:30 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. during the fall, starting September 23rd, 2014.

Where will the group occur?

The group will be held at the FAU Boca Raton campus at AD Henderson/ FAU High School.

How much will it cost?

A charge of \$30/session, a total of \$360 for the 12-week program.

Why are parents involved?

The Children's Friendship Training program is unique in its inclusion of a parent group, which is a requirement of the program, so that parents can provide support and coaching to their child as friendship skills are developed.

Now enrolling for Fall 2014.

To apply, please complete a confidential interest form by clicking on this link or visit: <http://tinyurl.com/mvfabtc>

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