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Inclusion Across the Lifespan Conference

Inclusion Across the Lifespan Conference 2015  
Agenda

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Nov 21st, 10:10 AM - 11:00 AM

## A Few Simple “Tweaks” = Successful Students in My Class: Creating A Successful Learning Environment for All Learners in the Classroom

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**Call for Proposals:**  
***2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Inclusion Across the Lifespan  
Conference***

**Date of Conference:** November 21, 2015

**Time:** 8:00am-12:00pm

**Location:** Winthrop University in Rock Hill, SC

**Cost:** \$50 (registration fee waived for accepted presenters)

**Overview:** This 2<sup>nd</sup> annual regional inclusion conference of the Carolinas is intended to bring together professionals and families who are passionate about promoting inclusive practices for individuals with disabilities across home, school, and community settings. There will be sessions related to early childhood, K-12 education, post-secondary education, and transition to independent living. All conference registration proceeds will benefit the scholarship fund for the Winthrop Think College (WTC) program, a fully inclusive post-secondary education program for students with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

**Proposal Submission:** All sessions will be 50 minutes. Proposals are due no later than September 15, 2015. Email proposals to Deb Leach at [leachd@winthrop.edu](mailto:leachd@winthrop.edu) using the attached form. The conference committee will review proposals, and presenters will be notified by September 30, 2015.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Inclusion Across the Lifespan Conference Proposal Form

1. Strand (check all that apply):

- Early childhood (birth to five)
- Elementary
- Middle School
- High School
- Post-secondary Education and Training
- Employment
- Independent Living and Community Engagement
- Parenting

2. Presenter Information (complete for all presenters)

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Title/Position (if applicable):

Autism Spectrum Disorders District Itinerant Teacher  
Rock Hill School District  
Rock Hill, SC

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5<sup>th</sup> Grade Educator, Mt. Gallant Elementary School  
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3. Title of Presentation:

A Few Simple “Tweeks” = Successful Students in My Class: Creating A Successful Learning Environment for All Learners in the Classroom

4. Presentation Description (no more than 250 words):

A regular education classroom is filled with many students of varying talents and abilities. By implementing simple ‘tweeks’ in teaching, routines, and procedures, teachers can make a tremendous difference in the success rate for a child on the autism spectrum as well as the other students in the classroom. The presenters will provide straight forward strategies that each attendee will be able to implement upon leaving the session. These are proven strategies that the presenters currently use and will be sharing. Although the focus of the presentation will be on the inclusion of students on the autism spectrum within the regular education environment, strategies presented are also useful for other students who may be struggling with academics and/or behaviors.

5. List 3-5 Learning Objectives for Participants:

Identify the reasons a student on the autism spectrum is struggling within the school setting

Identify basic strategies/interventions to increase the engagement of a student on the spectrum

Identify methods to increase positive academic and behavioral performance of all students within the classroom setting

