



## *Professional Workshop*

*Pairing: Understanding How and Why to Build Positive Rapport With Your Students Before Teaching*

*November 14<sup>th</sup> 2018 4:30pm – 7pm*

*Presented by Sandra Brownsey, MS, CAS  
4 Yankee Place  
Ellenville, NY 12428*

For students, including those with autism, when you see problem behavior (crying, whining, hitting, biting, flopping to the ground, etc.), often times the demands are too high and/or the reinforcement is too low.

To improve this situation, teachers, therapists and other classroom staff, will learn about the about the importance of pairing. Pairing is a behavioral procedure whereby materials, environments and people are conditioned with reinforcement. Once this happens, we're ready to begin to teach. However, this is not a "one and done" strategy.

In this workshop, participants will:

- Be able to define pairing.
- Learn strategies to effectively pair with materials and environments for better rapport.
- Expand pairing activities to include peers and curriculum.

### About the presenter

**Sandra Brownsey, MS, CAS**, is a Certified Special Education Teacher and School Administrator. She has been working with individuals with autism and other developmental needs and their families for the past 25 years. Her experiences include: Early Intervention and preschool teacher, evaluator, family trainer, public school teacher and school district consultant. Sandra presents workshops and trainings throughout the Hudson Valley on autism, improving challenging behaviors, increasing language, classroom management and understanding the importance of play skills. She is currently serving in the role of Program Coordinator at the Center for Spectrum Services in Ellenville. Sandra works closely with her staff and families to ensure a positive collaboration that results in the highest quality of service to the students.



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*Limited seating available Please register early!*

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