



SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8 (Kootenay Lake)

"Professional Development Opportunity"

Summer POPARD Training

For Paraeducators (casuals are welcome)

School District No. 8 values staff learning and development. SD#8, in partnership with Selkirk College, will be offering the following opportunities to paraeducators for summer POPARD training.

Introduction to Autism Spectrum Disorders - Practical Applications

Learn about the skills, attitudes and knowledge foundation that will allow you to work with students who have autism spectrum disorders. This provincially recognized course is presented by the Provincial Outreach Program for Autism and Related Disorders (POPARD). You will focus on both theory and practice. Some of the topics include: characteristics of autism spectrum disorders, theory of mind, and information processing.

Where: Selkirk College (Castlegar)
Room K-10
When: August 9 to 13
8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Cost: No cost to TA's
(SSEAC funding)

Where: Selkirk College (Castlegar)
Room K-10
When: August 16 to 19
8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Cost: No cost to TA's
(SSEAC funding)

Introduction to Applied Behaviour Analysis

Learn an overview of ABA history and theory: emphasis will be on practical hands-on coaching and training. Develop a comfort level with teaching in a Discrete Trial Format by having daily opportunities to practice the necessary skills. Discover how ABA principles are applied to other

teaching situations and to program development for students with autism spectrum disorders.
NB: Prerequisite - Introduction to Autism Spectrum Disorders - Practical Applications

The deadline for registration is **Friday, April 30th**. In order to reserve a seat, please ensure that this deadline is met as there are a limited number of seats allocated to our district.

TO REGISTER: please contact Susanne Morris @ 505-7054 or smorris@sd8.bc.ca