



SUCCESS! CLUB

(Social Skills, Understanding, Caring, Coping, Emotions, Self-Esteem & Success)

Description

The program is:

- for children diagnosed with ADHD, Asperger's Disorder or High Functioning Autism
- designed to improve friendship behaviors and social skills
- designed to build resilience from anxiety and depression and improve overall coping
- designed to promote self-esteem through success experiences
- developed and directed by Michelle DePolo, Psy.D., pediatric psychologist
- facilitated by Rachel Pasquerilla, EdS, BCBA and Lindsey Tornow, EdS, BCBA
- designed to have a maximum of 6-7 children per group

How

The program promotes social development, friendship skills, and self-esteem in two formats:

- **TEACHING** (first 30 minutes) provides direct instruction about targeted social behaviors, coping, problem solving and emotions through group discussions, activities, video examples, and role-plays.
- **PRACTICING** (second 30 minutes) provides unstructured opportunities ("incidental teaching moments") to practice their skills in a safe, low risk, atmosphere while receiving immediate coaching and feedback.
- Treatment goals are specifically tailored to meet the needs of the group. Targeted skills and topics include:

making/keeping friends	conversational manners	reducing social anxiety
resilience from depression	non-verbal communication	responding to teasing
turn-taking in play/talking	sportsmanship/losing	staying on topic
building self-esteem	understanding social cues	problem solving

Who

- Middle Childhood (ages 6-9)
- Children are diagnosed with ADHD, Asperger's Disorder or High Functioning Autism
- Children have primary placement in a regular education setting
- Children have generally average speech and language skills.

When and Where

- Tuesday afternoons at KidsLink NeuroBehavioral Center, 899 Frost Road, Streetsboro, OH 44241
- Groups meet for 1 hour for a 9 week program
- Tuesday afternoon program: 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm

Please visit our website at
www.kidslinkohio.com for current
program schedules

Cost

- The program fee is \$450.00
- Per guidelines of your insurance, the program costs may be reimbursable under the CPT code 90853 (group psychological treatment). KidsLink is an Autism Scholarship and John Peterson Scholarship provider.

Enrollment Process

- To enroll, please contact Sue Corp at 330-963-8600 or by email at scorp@kidslinkohio.com.
- Parents are encouraged to reply as early as possible, as enrollment is limited.