



# The 2009 Children's Learning Forum

Friday, April 24, 2009 Holiday Inn, Worthington, Ohio

This is a unique conference that takes a **multi-disciplinary** approach to working with children with learning issues.

## • SCHEDULE •

### 8:30 Registration

### 9:00 Optometric Perspectives on Autism Spectrum Disorders

Leonard J. Press, OD (1 hour)

The prevalence of Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD) appears to be increasing significantly. Attendees will learn the role of optometry in caring for this challenging population.

### 10:00 Identifying, Evaluating, and Referring Children with a Sensory Processing (Sensory Integration) Dysfunction

Jackie Kilburn, MA, OT (1 hour)

Strategies will be presented to help identify behaviors suggestive of sensory processing dysfunction. Key factors will be presented regarding when to send a child to an occupational therapist and tips will be given to assist with your evaluation and treatment of a child with a sensory processing disorder.

### 11:00 School Intervention: Rules, Practices, and Habits

Eric Pickering, PhD (1 hour)

This session will provide insight into how schools help at-risk and special education students succeed. State and federal rules for intervention and special education will be reviewed, common practices or approaches to those laws will be discussed, and how it often "looks" will be explored. Participants will gain a better understanding of school intervention processes. Participants will also leave with pearls about how to better work with struggling learners.

### 12:00 Lunch

### 1:15 Early Literacy and Language Essentials: Discarding the Wait to Fail Model!

Steven M Griffin, M.A. CCC/SLP (1 hour)

An in-depth look at literacy skill development in school-aged children including methods for determining risk levels for reading and writing difficulties for students at an early age. We will also discuss a number of proven strategies for helping children become fluent readers.

### 2:15 Story Proof: The Science Behind the Startling Power of Story

Kendall Haven, PhD (2 hours)

Stories and storytelling are powerful, efficient, and effective elements that can be used to help children learn. In this presentation Dr. Haven will define and demonstrate what research shows are the eight essential elements of effective stories. These eight essential elements define successful story and storytelling and, more generally, effective communication.

## • CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDITS •


**Optometrists:** 6 hours of CE submitted to the Ohio State Board of Optometry and COPE.

**Teachers:** Submit certificate to school district for professional development plan.

**Audiologists/Speech-Language Pathologists:** The Department of Speech and Hearing Science of The Ohio State University is approved by the Continuing Education Board of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) to provide continuing education activities in speech-language pathology and audiology. This program is offered for 0.6 CEUs (Intermediate level; Professional area). ASHA CE provider approval does not imply endorsement of course content, specific products, or clinical procedures.

**Occupational Therapists:** 6 hours of CE submitted in Ohio.

**Nurses:** Submit attendance transcript (per the Ohio Revised Code 4723-14-05 rule for nurses, educational activities that have been approved by a nationally recognized accreditation system of continuing education approval may be used by a licensee or certificate holder to satisfy the continuing education requirements).



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## Registration Form

Please complete one form per person. This form may be copied.

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Registration Fee: \$150.00

Lunch Preference:  Vegetarian  
 Non-vegetarian

Special Dietary Needs: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to:

The Ohio State University

Mail checks/purchase orders and registration form to:

Attn: Dr. Marjean Kulp  
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**Questions?** Contact Dr. Marjean Kulp at (614) 688-3336 or kulp.6@osu.edu. Or visit the website at <http://optometry.osu.edu/CLF>. Registration includes 6 hours of education, continental breakfast, and lunch.