

Strengthening the EXECUTIVE FUNCTION SKILLS of Your Students With Special Needs: Strategies to Increase Organization, Maintain Focus, Develop Working Memory, and Self-Regulate Behavior



A Unique One-Day Live Online Seminar Presented by

Linda Davidson

Outstanding Educator, Author, and Nationally Recognized Speaker

Specifically Designed for Special Education Staff, Speech-Language Pathologists, Occupational Therapists, General Education Classroom Teachers, School Psychologists, Counselors, and Other Educators Working With Students With Special Needs in Preschool - Grade 12

Help your students with special needs improve their executive function skills in these key areas: organization of tasks and personal space, time management, task initiation and completion, impulse control, emotional self-regulation, and working memory

Dozens of easy to implement practical strategies to help students with special needs who have difficulty maintaining attention and organizing their time, tasks, personal space, and materials

Practical ways to adapt your instruction to enhance students' ability to develop and use key executive function skills to increase their success in the classroom

Activities, examples, and much more, including a comprehensive digital resource handbook you can take back and begin using immediately with your students

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*"Very informative and
engaging. I learned
so much!"*

— CHRISTOPHER DAY,
SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER

Ten Key Benefits of Attending

*Great seminar!!
I learned a lot.
Thank you so much
for all the new tools
and ideas.'*

– REBECCA LYSAK,
OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST



Who Should Attend

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Speech-Language
Pathologists, Occupational
Therapists, General
Education Classroom
Teachers, School
Psychologists, Counselors,
and Other Educators
Working With Students
With Special Needs in
Preschool - Grade 12

1. Practical Strategies to Address Executive Function Weaknesses

Learn how to more easily recognize and address executive function weaknesses ... Discover new ways to teach your students who struggle how to be better managers of their time, tasks, schedules, assignments, and behavior

2. Tools and Strategies to Teach Independence and Emotional Regulation

Learn how to help students become more independent with strategies that teach steps in planning, implementing the plan and self-evaluating when finished ... Strategies students with special needs can use for behavior regulation

3. Easier Ways to Adapt Your Instruction and Classroom Structure

Receive tips and techniques to adapt your teaching that works for all students, but especially those that have difficulties with executive functioning skills ... Quick and easy ideas for setting up routines and your classroom structure

4. How Executive Function Skills Impact Student Behavior and What You Can Do About It

Understand and learn practical solutions for impulse control, self-regulation, and self-management ... Help your students with special needs develop situational awareness to stop, think and plan before they respond negatively

5. Learn How to Use Visual Strategies to Teach Executive Functioning Skills

Learn quick and easy ways to create and implement the use of visual strategies that help students better understand their environment to gain and retain information

6. Discover Practical Strategies to Organize, Plan and Prioritize

You can help students with special needs process information in a more organized and logical way to select the tools and strategies they will need to plan for success

7. Practical Ideas for Your Unprepared Students

Your students may appear to be unmotivated and apathetic, but we now know that many lack basic executive function skills ... Learn practical strategies for teaching those skills to students who lack them

8. Discover the Connection to Brain Research: What It Teaches Us About Best Practices for Instruction

Learn executive functioning strategies based on current research on how the brain takes in, processes and stores information ... Learn the practical application of this research and how it will greatly benefit your students with special needs

9. Strategies to Help Your Students Improve in Key Executive Function Areas

Increase students' learning through greater time on task and more organized thinking ... Learn practical strategies to help your students who have difficulty in these areas so they can experience success and become more independent

10. Receive an Extensive Digital Resource Handbook

Each participant will receive a comprehensive digital resource handbook developed specifically for this seminar filled with strategies, ideas and research-based techniques that will support you when you return to your classroom and school

Outstanding Strategies You Can Use Immediately

What You Will Learn ...

- **Strengthen the EXECUTIVE FUNCTION SKILLS of your students** with special needs
- Dozens of practical strategies designed to **increase attention, focus and impulse control**
- Recognize and strategize to **teach your students who struggle to think and act in an organized way** to manage their time, tasks, schedules, assignments, and behavior
- **Quick and easy visual strategies** to support the development of executive functioning skills
- Executive function skills to **increase student success** in social emotional functioning
- Flexible **problem-solving strategies** to fit the needs of specific students
- **Emotional regulation strategies** you can use immediately
- Simple yet effective **systems for study skills**
- **Memory strategies** for studying, test taking, homework, and long-term project planning
- **Clearly define key executive function skills** and how they impact academic and social success
- **Easily prepped strategies** you can use immediately in the classroom or resource room
- **Proven ideas** to help students plan their homework, manage short and long-term projects/assignments and carry out tasks to completion



"Thank you! I enjoyed all the different strategies that I plan to use with my students in speech therapy."

– NICOLE LAMIANO, SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST CLINICAL FELLOW

Practical Ideas and Strategies

There has been a marked increase in the diagnosis of students who have weaknesses in executive function skills. Common characteristics can include difficulty with task initiation, prioritization, task completion, and the ability to think in an organized way to manage belongings, schedules, and assignments. In this fast-paced seminar, **LINDA DAVIDSON** will demonstrate how to recognize the impact executive functioning deficits have on behavior and learning. Most importantly, you will receive a toolbox filled with practical strategies to help your students increase executive functioning skills in organization, maintaining focus, developing working memory, and improved self-regulation. You won't want to miss this day filled with highly effective ideas and classroom proven interventions to help your students with special needs become more independent, develop greater control of their time, tasks and materials, and realize greater success in school.



A Message From Seminar Leader, Linda Davidson



Uniquely Qualified Instructor

LINDA DAVIDSON is a highly experienced educator, sought-after consultant, and national presenter with extensive experience with strategies designed for students with special needs. She has worked in the field of education for decades in a variety of roles, including special and general education teacher and consultant at both the elementary and secondary levels. She brings a unique skill set in working with students who have special needs. Linda is the author of *Strengthening the EXECUTIVE FUNCTION SKILLS of Your Students With Special Needs: Strategies to Increase Organization, Maintain Focus, Develop Working Memory, and Self-Regulate Behavior*, the extensive digital resource handbook each participant will receive at the seminar. Her fast-paced seminar is built on research that is translated into practical, easy-to-use strategies to support students with special needs. Join Linda for a vital day full of essential strategies to truly help you make a difference in the lives of students with special needs.

Dear Colleague:

Do you ever hear any of these statements about your students?

"He's very smart, but he is just not motivated."

"She has difficulty transitioning."

"If only she would pay attention during class."

"He explodes immediately over any little thing!"

If you have heard or thought any of these statements, you will want to join your colleagues for this seminar that will provide a specific toolbox of strategies, ideas, and solutions for these issues.

Research has exploded in the diagnosis and treatment of students who have difficulties in executive functioning. Executive dysfunction is thought to be the underlying neurological difficulty in disorders such as ADHD, autism spectrum disorders, traumatic brain injury, drug and alcohol exposure, behavioral and emotional disorders, as well as learning disabilities. The exciting news is that current research clearly indicates that this deficit can be effectively addressed with properly designed and implemented strategies.

In this stimulating and interactive seminar, designed for Preschool-Grade 12 inclusive and special education settings, you will learn how to recognize executive functioning deficits, assess their impact on learning and behavior, and gain a toolbox of practical strategies for working with students. You will leave with dozens of quick and easy next-day ideas. Strategies in self-awareness, work completion, task initiation, planning, organizing, and goal setting will be shared, as well as ideas for impulse control, motivation, self-regulation, and more!

You won't want to miss this opportunity to understand how executive functioning or dysfunction makes or breaks students' ability to be successful in school, both academically and socially. Come and learn new strategies and interventions that will make a significant difference for all your students with special needs.

Sincerely,

Linda Davidson, Ph.D.

P.S. I know you have options when choosing a professional development day that will meet your needs for the year. I promise, you will not be disappointed!

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What Your Colleagues Say About Linda Davidson

*"Great seminar! **I loved the information, visuals, handouts and interaction.** It was a nice combination! Thank you."*

– Tracy Tamo, Occupational Therapist

*"Thanks so much for the information given today. It's **very valuable information.** I could picture students who will benefit from my newfound knowledge. I loved getting to talk to the other teachers, too!"*

– Michelle Grant, Special Education Teacher

*"It was great! The **interaction provided the kinesthetic and breaks needed to help apply the information.**"*

– Susan Avery, Special Education Teacher/Dept Chair

*"I really enjoyed how interactive the seminar was. We talked about what strategies we liked best and shared it with the group if we wanted. **The handbook that was provided was very helpful and included great resources.**"*

– Kyleigh Gay, Special Education Teacher (Middle and High School)



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- Step-by-step strategies for meeting the needs of your students with executive function deficits
- Multiple resources and next day ideas for organization, impulse control, memory, behavioral regulation, and attention
- Ideas for planning long-term projects, studying for tests, homework completion, as well as organizing space, materials and time
- Easy techniques for teaching situational awareness, social planning, estimating time, and anxiety management

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