

AUTISM COLLABORATIVE FORUM

The Autistic Life

Ian Smith and his family have come a long way in the past 26 years. Ian was diagnosed with autism long before the current wave of kids in our educational system. Speaking as both a teacher and as a parent, Hank offers a unique view of autism. From the terrifying rages, to helping his son find his way through an educational system that was still learning how to educate kids like him, from working through the college system, to helping Ian learn to live on his own and finally find a career, Hank offers an inside view of his family's journey. Parents will hear what it's like working with children on the spectrum in a regular classroom. Educators will get important insight of what life is like at home for the families of their students. A question and answer segment with both Hank and Ian will end the presentation.

Keynote Speaker: Hank Smith

Hank Smith is a retired elementary school teacher living in Northern California. He is also the author of **Sticks and Stones: A Father's Journey Into Autism**. Living with his son, Ian, has been an amazing learning experience which has not only helped him in working with children with special needs at his school, but also has given him valuable insight to share with parents and educators. Hank and Ian share their story in well-received talks, workshops, and keynote addresses throughout California. For more information go to www.thisautisticlife.com.

Ian Smith is twenty-six years old. Born and raised in Northern California, Ian now lives in Santa Rosa, California where he works as a math tutor. He continues his studies at a local junior college. Ian fills his spare time with a number of "unique" interests...Juggling, diabolos, unicycling, and gymnastics. His main obsession is yoyo-ing, in which he is a nationally ranked competitor.

A Region 6 Autism Connection Event

Founded in the late 1990's, Autism Connection was formed to improve services for students with autism in the Region 6 area and increase communication between all stakeholders including school districts, regional centers, parents and nonpublic agencies. Region 6 includes the counties of Amador, Calaveras, San Joaquin, Stanislaus and Tuolumne.

CEU's

CEU's may be offered for select breakout sessions for BCBA & Speech Therapists only. Information will be available at the forum in the lobby.

Wednesday, April 10th , 2019

Sign-In: 7:45 AM to 8:30 AM
Workshop: 8:30 AM to 3:15 PM

Location:

San Joaquin County Office of Education
Wentworth Education Center
2707 Transworld Drive, Stockton CA

Target Audience:

Everyone whose lives are touched by Autism.



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Deadline for Registration: April 3th, 2019

___ Registration Fee **\$20.00**

___ Parent Sponsorship Fee (# _____) **\$10.00**

(Includes coffee & pastries, lunch and access to electronic handouts)

Name: _____ District/Agency: _____

Job Title: _____

Phone: (_____) _____ Email: _____

Limited \$10.00 Parent Sponsorship may be available through Family Resource Network. Please contact FRN at (209) 472-3674 for more information.

The link to access the handouts will be emailed out one week prior to the event. Please download / print materials before arriving.

Registrations will be accepted on a first come, first served basis only. Seating is Limited. Please register early. Registration and payment must be received in the SELPA office no later than **April 3rd, 2019**. Meals and handouts are not guaranteed unless registration is received by the deadline.

We regret to inform that **NO REFUNDS** can be given; however substitutions are welcomed.

To confirm your registration and payment have been received, or if special accommodations are necessary, please contact Pam Abdollahzadeh at (209) 468-9283 or email at pabdollahzadeh@sjcoe.net at least 2 weeks prior to this event.

Payment Methods Accepted:

(NO PURCHASE ORDERS ACCEPTED)

___ Check (payable to SJCOE)

___ Credit Card \$20.00 Link: <http://tinyurl.com/y3b2yxfy>

___ District Journal (San Joaquin District ONLY - see your District Business Office personnel to process journal)

Remit Form & Payment to:

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