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August 1, 2014

Open Hands, Open Access – On-line training modules on deaf-blindness

GSAP is happy to offer an opportunity for teachers, paraprofessionals and family members to learn about deaf-blindness!

What: Training modules to educate school personnel and families about best practice intervention for children who are deaf-blind.

When: One module will be offered each month- beginning in September, ending in May. Participants may sign up for all 8 modules, or choose the ones that seem most relevant to them.

Important Information:

- Each of the 8 modules takes between 5-8 hours to complete and the work is done at the participant's convenience.
- Grading for the training will be PASS/FAIL, and we have applied for PLU credits for professionals who complete the modules and turn in all assignments.
- A facilitator who is a teacher for the deaf-blind, will respond to participants' work and answer questions.
- At the end of the module, participants will be asked to take part in a –“What did we learn, and how does it apply to my child?” web call.
- A kick-off session for Module 1 will be held via web-conference on Friday, August 29th at 3:30 pm -4:30 pm – to get oriented to the Moodle Platform
- There is a limit of 20 participants per module.

For more information, please contact Martha Veto, mveto@uga.com,

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OPEN HANDS, OPEN ACCESS TRAINING MODULES

Each module will be open for the dates listed. End of module web meeting will be arranged by facilitator and class during the course. You may sign up to take all 8 modules, or select the modules that are most relevant to you. Educational teams may request to sign up to take a specific module, facilitated by GSAP staff outside the dates listed below – based on availability.

September 2- September 30, 2014:

Module 1: An Overview of Deaf-Blindness and Instructional Strategies

October 6 – October 31, 2014:

Module 2: The Sensory System, the Brain, and Learning

November 3 – November 26, 2014:

Module 3: The Role of the Intervener in Educational Settings

January 6 - January 30, 2015:

Module 4: Building Trusted Relationships and Positive Self-Image

February 2 – February 27, 2015

Module 5: Availability for Learning

March 2 – March 27, 2015

Module 6: Understanding Communication Principles

April 1 – April 30, 2015

Module 7: Emergent Communication

May 4 – May 29, 2015

Module 8: Progressing from Non-Symbolic to Symbolic Communication and Complex Language



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OHOA MODULES REGISTRATION

You may go to the GSAP website – <http://gsap.coe.uga.edu> to find this form on-line. You can sign up for all 8, or any modules you are interested in. If you want to wait and see – you may sign up for one module now, and sign up for another at a later date. You must register at least one week prior to the opening of a new module.

Please mail your registration to:

or

Fax to:

Martha Veto – GSAP

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Georgia Academy for the Blind

478-751-6659 (fax)

2895 Vineville Avenue

Macon, GA 31204

Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

School: _____ Role: _____

_____ I would like to register for the entire set of OHOA modules – 1-8

_____ I would like to register for the following modules

_____ Sept. - Module 1 - An Overview of Deaf-Blindness and Instructional Strategies

_____ Oct. - Module 2 - The Sensory System, the Brain, and Learning

_____ Nov. – Module 3 - The Role of the Intervener in Educational Settings

_____ Jan. - Module 4 - Building Trusted Relationships and Positive Self-Image

_____ Feb. – Module 5 - Availability for Learning

_____ Mar. - Module 6: Understanding Communication Principles

_____ Apr. - Module 7: Emergent Communication

_____ May - Module 8: Progressing from Non-Symbolic to Symbolic Communication and Complex Language