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Featured Infinitec Stops This Month

The Paraprofessional and Student Success: Four Corners to Super Para Status

Presented by Linda Aldridge, Ed.D., IaLearn and Beth Zillinger, MS, CCC-SLP, Kansas Infinitec

The work of a paraprofessional in the classroom is critical to student success; however, working with students is often complicated. What skills, attributes or traits will help paraprofessionals achieve Super Para Status while working in the schools? This video is intended for school paraprofessionals and discusses attributes and traits in four key areas: relationships, performance character, student needs and workplace politics.

Running Time: 37:53 minutes

Learning Credits: 1.00

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Putting the Pro into Paraprofessionals

Presented by Lindy McDaniel, Life Skills Special Education Teacher, Hays USD 489

(1) Building Relationships

This is part one of a three part series addressing setting the tone for an effective classroom team. Part one addresses how to use individual strengths, talents and interests to strengthen the team as a whole, and how to cultivate a positive team culture.

Running Time: 15:23 minutes **Learning Credits:** .5

(2) Understanding How We Work Together

In part 2 of 3, Lindy explores how to use strengths, passions and expertise of each other to create an effective classroom team. She discusses how to lay out ground rules, tips for timely communication among staff and how to create specific roles and responsibilities to set the tone for success.

Running Time: 17:46 minutes **Learning Credits:** .5

(3) Growing Your Craft and Team

This third part of the series addresses ways to train staff through pre-service, in-service and on the job training. It provides strategies for how to reflect on classroom practices and share constructive and positive feedback improve staff skills, morale and student growth.

Running Time: 19:01 minutes **Learning Credits:** .5

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Roles and Responsibilities of the Paraprofessional

Presented by Richard Brown

This video has been available for several years, but is one of the most effective videos for delineating the roles of the parapro versus certified staff. It also highlights use of cell phones, appropriate dress, discussion about students and more. A must-see for all paraprofessionals.

Running Time: 21:53 minutes **Learning Credits:** .5

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Teaming for Success: Strategies for Teacher-Paraeducator Collaboration

Presented by Christina Cipriano, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth

This recorded webinar defines effective teacher-paraeducator collaboration, the benefits and challenges to effective teacher-paraeducator collaboration and strategies to promote teacher-paraeducator collaboration.

Running Time: 58:50 minutes **Learning Credits:** 1.25

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[Great ways to use Google Docs for Student Driven Learning Projects](#)

October 21, 2019

11:00 AM CDT - 12:00 PM CDT

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[Taking Next Steps with Complex Communicators: Implementation Strategies](#)

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[Quality Indicators for Assistive Technology \(AT\) Services for Students Unde](#)

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