



SOUTH BERGEN JOINTURE COMMISSION

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whose students are not defined by their classifications.

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Upcoming January Parent Workshop

What: Promoting Gains in Social Communication using Pivotal Response Teaching

Presenter: Dr. John C. Burke Board Certified Behavior Analyst – Doctoral, obtained his Ph.D. from a Joint Doctoral Interdisciplinary Program in the Speech and Hearing Sciences with emphasis on educational, psychological, and neurophysiological aspects of communication and social development in children with autism at the University of California, Santa Barbara and University of California, San Francisco Medical School.

Description: Pivotal Response Teaching (PRT) is based on the principles of Applied Behavior Analysis and has an emphasis on establishing social and interactional communication. Parents and professionals have found PRT to be highly successful in promoting social communication skills across home, school and community. PRT seeks to establish social communication in natural or “naturalistic” situations that are built around preferred activities while using natural cues to help teach a child to independently communicate and take turns during the social exchange. Ultimately, the goal is to build communication skills that can be used across settings with adults, peers, and family members. Participants in this workshop will be provided with an overview and multiple examples of the application of PRT.

When: Jan 26, 2023

Time: 6:30-8:00

Where: Hybrid- Choice of in person or virtual

In person address: 500 Rt. 17 South, Suite 308 Hasbrouck Heights, NJ

Google Meet: [Meeting Link](#)

Please RSVP on the form below so we can provide refreshments accordingly.

[Parent Response Form](#)



Thank you,

Lorraine Rake & the District Parent Committee