



SPEECH & LANGUAGE CONSULTANTS, LLC

CENTER FOR COMMUNICATION
BEHAVIOR, LITERACY
SENSORY DEVELOPMENT AND TECHNOLOGY

CAMP
KEEP THE CONVERSATION GOING
APPLICATION
2009

DATES:

Session ONE- July 6 through July 31, 2009

Session TWO- August 3 through August 28, 2009

DROP OFF is at 8:15-8:30 am

PICK UP is no later than 4:45 pm

How to enroll your child:

1. Complete the one page application and fax to (203) 604-0602 or email to kim@speechandlanguageconsultants.org
2. Schedule your child's social intake and interview with our camp director, Kimberly Block

Keep the Conversation Going requires that all parents attend one of three parent orientation dates prior to the first day of camp. This orientation will assist you and your child to better prepare for this wonderful upcoming experience and to have the opportunity to meet camp staff.

*Social camp intakes and interviews are \$200.00. If your child attends The Leadership institute, this fee will then be applied to their camp tuition.

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phone 866-SLC-0899 or (203) 354-5625

Parents please fill out the following:

APPLICANT NAME: _____

AGE: _____ DOB: _____ GENDER: male female

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME: _____

DAYTIME PHONE: _____ MOBILE PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

APPLICANT'S DIAGNOSIS: _____

Please list name and ages of child's siblings:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Gender</u>	<u>Grade</u>
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PRIMARY PEDIATRICIAN: _____

PLEASE LIST ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:

ALLERGIES: _____

MEDICATIONS TAKEN REGULARLY : _____

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Daily direct instruction hours are from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Camp Keep the Conversation Going is a coed camp for children and adolescents ages 5-15. The camp is tailored to young people with social language impairments including those diagnosed with ADHD, PDD-NOS, High Functioning Autism (HFA), Autism, Nonverbal Learning Disorder, Sensory Integration, and Aspergers. Our groups focus on nonverbal communication, social thinking, social problem solving, and conversation skills. Our groups are customized to fit the needs of the children within that particular group. Curricula employed include models by Landria Seals, M.A., CCC-SLP. *“Keep the Conversation Going focuses on increasing a child's ability to initiate, maintain, and participate in play and conversation. Keep the Conversation Going engages and targets the underlying brain processes that support “conversation” including, but not limited to, emotional engagement, social referencing, perspective taking, physical and emotional regulation, and flexibility.”-Seals, 2006.*

Camp Keep the Conversation Going was created by Executive Director and speech-language pathologist, Landria Seals. The Keep the Conversation Going curriculum embodies language and social cognition theories that develop verbal expression, written expression, nonverbal language, social thinking, emotional engagement, and comprehension of concrete and abstract language.

Camp Keep the Conversation Going is to provides direct coaching in supporting our population to acquire, achieve fluency, maintain, and generalize social communication skills while interacting with their peers.

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Children are assessed for appropriateness in various groups based on height, age, ability, etc. Children are placed in groups with their peers who have similar expressive and expressive language skills.

STAFFING:

Each group at Camp Keep the Conversation Going is comprised of four children with a 2:5 therapist-camper ratio. Out staff of therapists consists of a credentialed therapist as well as therapist interns from select universities.

CAMP FORMAT:

Camp Keep the Conversation Going is a 4 week experience that is offered in two sessions. The first session begins on July 6, 2009 and goes through July 31, 2009. The second session begins August 3, 2009 through August 28, 2009. The camp format includes morning coaching sessions, lunch, and afternoon recreation activities.

DIRECT INSTRUCTION/REMEDIATION: This occurs in a small group setting in the morning between 9:00am and 12:00pm. Groups are led by group leaders including speech-language pathologists, counselors, and ABA therapists.

LUNCH: Lunch is brought from home and will be from 11:45am-12:15pm. Snacks/water will be provided throughout the day by Camp Keep the Conversation Going.

SOCIAL COMMUNICATION/ACTIVITIES: "OUT AND ABOUT": These activities include community based trips, art, music, swimming and sports, outdoor adventures, restaurant ordering and etiquette, and behavior in different settings/situations.

<u>CAMP FOCUS</u>	<u>ELEMENTARY SCHOOLAGE</u>	<u>MIDDLE SCHOOLAGE</u>
VERBAL FLUENCY	✓	✓
TALK AND PLAY	✓	✓
INITIATE, MAINTAIN, END CONVERSATIONS	✓	✓
SOCIAL PLAY	✓	✓
BEHAVIOR	✓	✓
SOCIAL THINKING AND PROBLEM SOLVING	✓	✓
EMOTIONAL AND PHYSICAL REGULATION	✓	✓
SOCIAL CONFIDENCE BUILDING	✓	✓
TEAM BUILDING		✓
RESTAURANT ETIQUETTE	✓	✓

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SAFETY- STRANGER DANGER	✓	✓
SAFETY-PURCHASING WITH MONEY		✓
READING AND USING BODY LANGUAGE	✓	✓
FLEXIBILITY	✓	✓
PERSPECTIVE TAKING	✓	✓
SOCIAL THINKING AND SOCIAL FILTERS- SAYING WHAT IS ON MY MIND	✓	✓

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