

Jessica Ann Miller, AAS

ABA/VB Instructor

Education

2007 AAS Degree in Early Childhood Education, Northern Virginia Community College

Experience

August 2004 to Present

Dower & Associates, Inc. Manassas, VA – ABA Instructor (Home Based)

- Implement ABA programs using the ABLLS, ABLLS™-R and VB-MAPP as a curriculum guide under the supervision of two BCBA®'s and a BCABA®
- Provide individualized ABA/VB instruction for children with autism
- Keep data collection and graphs to identify any needs that may need to be further evaluated
- Attend team meetings to review the learner's progress and any behaviors that need to be evaluated or treated
- Provide instruction to non-vocal children to vocal children
- Plan lessons and conduct social skills groups for early, intermediate and advanced learners with Autism Spectrum Disorders
- Implement *Skillstreaming* Curriculum in a group setting with elementary school age children with Autism Spectrum Disorders including students diagnosed with Asperger's Syndrome
- Provide behavioral and social skill facilitation in summer camp settings
- Toilet train children with autism using the Foxx and Azrin Toilet Training protocol
- Provide behavioral support for children with autism out in the community
- Provide behavioral training in basic behavioral principles and implementation of behavior reduction plans to parents of children with autism and public school staff members
- Provide 1:1 instruction for children with autism utilizing Direct Instruction programs such as Reading Mastery, DISTAR Math and Language For Learning
- Conduct observations of children with autism spectrum disorders in their public school classroom environment, including writing detailed reports of such observations
- Work closely with parents to assure the needs of the individuals and families are being met
- Teach non-verbal and apraxic children to use basic American Sign Language signs to communicate efficiently

June 2004 to June 2005

The Aurora School, Purcellville, VA – ABA Instructor (Center Based)

- Individualized ABA/VB instruction for children with autism
- Develop ABA programs using the ABLLS objectives under the supervision of a BCABA®
- Organize program materials
- Keep data collection and graphs to identify any needs that may need to be further evaluated
- Complete quarterly progress reports to evaluate the level of achievement of ABLLS objectives
- Instruction ranges from non-vocal children to vocal children

August 2003 to August 2004

Loudoun County Public Schools – Special Education Teacher Assistant

- Assist teacher with classroom activities
- Shadow support
- One-on-One student support
- Compile class activity log
- Prepare class materials
- Assistant JV Soccer Coach (Spring 2004)

Summer 2003

Loudoun County Parks & Recreation - Camp Leader

- Supervise on a daily basis activities for 10 children with adaptive needs (Down's syndrome, autism, and mental retardation)
- Assist in the development of the curriculum, lesson plans, and progress evaluations of camp activities.
- Participate in ongoing coordination of schedule adjustments, unforeseen contingencies, and alterations of plan as needed.
- Participate in weekly staff meetings to evaluate success of main objectives, of the program: cognitive, discipline and socialization skills.

Summer 2002

Loudoun County Parks & Recreation – Camp Leader

- Supervise on a daily basis activities for 10 – 15 children with adaptive needs (Down's Syndrome, autism, mental retardation, ED & ADHD)
- Assist in the development of the curriculum, lesson plans, and progress evaluations of camp activities.

- Participate in ongoing coordination of schedule adjustments, unforeseen contingencies, and alterations of plan as needed.
- Participate in weekly staff meetings to evaluate success of main objectives, of the program: cognitive, discipline and socialization skills.

Certifications

2002-2003

- Adult CPR/AED
- Child/Infant CPR
- First Aid

Volunteer Activities

- *Church Affiliated Community Support* – Flemington, NJ. Family Crises Situations. Fund Raising. Child Care.
- *Special Olympics* in Loudoun County Through Broad Run High School
- *Community: School Betterment/Restoration Clean-up Activities* – Broad Run
- *Athletic Department Fund Raising Activities* – Broad Run High School, Ashburn VA
Miscellaneous Support

Training/Workshop Attendance

- **August 2004** - Workshop #1: *Introduction to Verbal Behavior*, Dr. Vincent Carbone, BCBA[®]. Vienna, VA.
- **February 2005** - Workshop #4: *Teaching VB-Hands on-Training for Tutors and Therapists*, Holly Kibbe, BCABA[®] and Cherish Twigg, BCABA[®]. Dulles, VA.
- **July 2005** - *Teaching Verbal Behavior in the Natural Environment*, Holly Kibbe, BCABA[®] and Cherish Twigg, BCABA[®]. Arlington, VA.
- **July 2005** - *Specialized ABA training at the Carbone Clinic, LLC for Dower and Associates, Inc. /Aurora School student*, Emily Pearson, MS, BCABA[®]. Valley Cottage, NY.
- **September 2004 to August 2005** - *Monthly ABA Trainings*, Nikia Dower, MS, CCC-SLP/L, BCBA[®]. The Aurora School, Purcellville, VA.
- **February 2006** - *Verbal Behavior: New Findings from the Field*. Dr. Mark Sundberg, BCBA[®]. Herndon, VA.
- **May 2006** - *Promoting Functional Communication and Interactions in Children with Autism*, Tamara Kasper, MS, CCC/SLP, BCABA[®]. Richmond, VA.
- **June 2006** - *See the Sound: Visual Phonics*, Bettie Waddy-Smith, and Vanessa Wilson. Washington, DC.
- **August 2006**- *SRA Direct Instruction: Reading Mastery I and II*, Pam Smith. Woodbridge, VA.

- **May 2007** - *Direct Instruction Training-Reading Mastery 1 (for children with autism)*, Faith Fisher, M.Ed. Falls Church, VA.
- **June 2007** - *Managing Problem Behaviors in the School and Home Settings*, Thomas Caffrey, MEd, BCBA[®] Leesburg, VA
- **November 2007** - *Teaching Verbal Behavior in the Intensive Teaching Environment*, Holly Kibbe, BCBA[®] and Cherish Twigg, BCBA[®] in Rockville, MD
- **November 2007** - *ABA-Verbal Behavior 2007: Where We Have Come and Where We Should Go*, Patrick McGreevy, Ph.D., BCBA[®] in Reston, VA
- **February 2008** - *Teaching Spontaneous Language to Children With Autism*, Tamara Kasper, MS, CCC-SLP/L, BCBA[®] in Virginia Beach, VA
- **March 2008** - *Language Intervention for Children with Autism Based on the VB-MAPP*, Dr. Mark Sundberg, BCBA[®] in Annandale, VA