

Using Evidence Based Curriculum with a Team Approach to Reach Students with ASD



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Learning Objectives

- Attendees will learn about the STAR curriculum.
- Attendees will increase understanding of the use of Discrete Trial Teaching, Pivotal Response Teaching and Functional Routines in the classroom setting.
- Participants will gain hands-on practice in the use of at least 3 evidence-based practices.



Overview of Evidence Based Practices

A grid chart with 10 columns and 15 rows. The columns are labeled with skills: 'Communication', 'Social Interaction', 'Self-Management', 'Academic', 'Functional Skills', 'Life Skills', 'Self-Determination', 'Transition', 'Employment', and 'Postsecondary Education'. The rows are labeled with evidence-based practices: 'Discrete Trial Teaching', 'Pivotal Response Teaching', 'Natural Environment Teaching', 'Task Analysis', 'Self-Management', 'Self-Determination', 'Functional Skills', 'Life Skills', 'Transition', and 'Employment'. Red and blue squares indicate the presence of specific practices for each skill.

- National Professional Development Center for Autism Spectrum Disorders
- [Evidence Based Practices](#)



STAR
Autism Support

Preschool – 5th Grade

LINKS
CURRICULUM

3rd Grade – 12th Grade

- ✓ Functional Routines (ABA)
- ✓ Discrete Trial
- ✓ Pivotal Response

How do we do it at Las Cruces Public Schools?

STAR

- Teacher Friendly
- Pre-academics
- Pro-active
- Build independence

LINKS

- Teacher Friendly
- Technology assisted
- Aligns with STAR
- Further builds independence

Why did we choose these curricula?

Functional Routines

Functional Routines- activities that occur at predictable times, with a predictable sequence of component steps, and with predictable expectations for participation and independent performance (e.g. arrival at school, lunch in the cafeteria). In behavioral terms, a routine is a chain of behaviors.

Real LCPS Classroom Examples of Functional Routines

- Mr. **William's** class: Learning to be more independent throughout the entire school day.
- Ms. **Dean's** class: Walking in the hallway

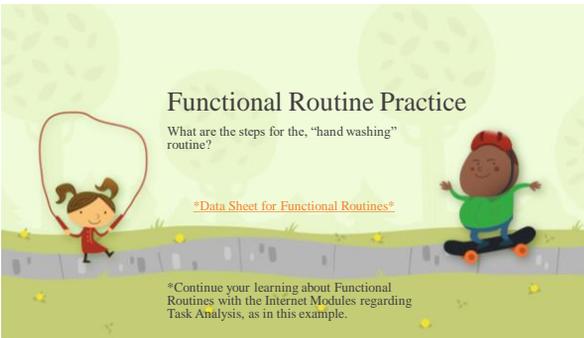


Functional Routine Practice

What are the steps for the, "hand washing" routine?

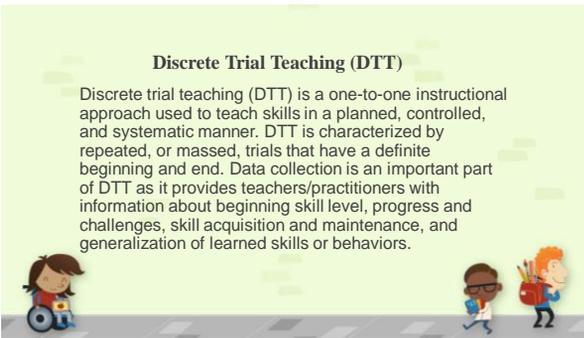
Data Sheet for Functional Routines

**Continue your learning about Functional Routines with the Internet Modules regarding Task Analysis, as in this example.*



Discrete Trial Teaching (DTT)

Discrete trial teaching (DTT) is a one-to-one instructional approach used to teach skills in a planned, controlled, and systematic manner. DTT is characterized by repeated, or massed, trials that have a definite beginning and end. Data collection is an important part of DTT as it provides teachers/practitioners with information about beginning skill level, progress and challenges, skill acquisition and maintenance, and generalization of learned skills or behaviors.



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Real LCPS Examples of Discrete Trial in the Classroom

Discrete Trial Practice

Use the Lego pieces on your table to conduct a Discrete Trial lesson for colors.

Prompter: "Give me red."

[Data Sheet for DTT](#)

Pivotal Response Teaching (PRT)

- Pivotal response training (PRT) is a naturalistic intervention based on the principles of applied behavior analysis (ABA) to teach learners with autism spectrum disorders (ASD). PRT builds on learner initiative and interests, and is particularly effective for developing communication, language, play, and social behaviors.

*Continue your learning about PRT with the Internet Modules, titled Pivotal Response Teaching.

Real LCPS Examples of Pivotal Response Teaching in the Classroom

<p>"Open Door" DD Pre Autism Hermosa</p>	<p>"Lego Social Time Movie" Picacho Middle School</p>
<p>"Go" DD Pre Autism Hermosa</p>	<p>Cooperative Peer Play DD Pre Autism Jornada</p>
<p>First Word DD Pre Autism University Hills</p>	



Pivotal Response Teaching Practice

- Use the Lego pieces on your table to provide opportunities for social interaction.

1. Engage in play freely.
2. Take control of the play item.
3. Provide opportunity for commenting or requesting.
4. If no engagement, entice with the item to elicit a response (an interaction with you about your play).

[Data Sheet for PRT](#)



Questions and Comments




Some Parting Inspiration. . .

[Super Nanny Video #1](#)
[Super Nanny Video #2](#)
[Super Nanny Video #3](#)



Notes and Resources

- The data sheets used in this presentation are copyrighted. They are for teaching purposes only.
- <http://starautismsupport.com/curriculum/star-program> (STAR and LINKS)
- <http://autismpdc.fpg.unc.edu/> (National Professional Development Center for ASD)
- <http://www.autisminternetmodules.org/> (Autism Internet Modules – training)
- <http://autismpdc.fpg.unc.edu/sites/autismpdc.fpg.unc.edu/files/mce/documents/2014-EBP-Report.pdf> (Report of Evidence Based Practices)