



STATEWIDE ASD UPDATES 2021

MN Statewide ASD CoP Meeting

November 15, 2021

9am-noon

What a year+

Welcome to each and every one of you!!!

Thank you for being here!

MN Low Incidence Projects



Thank you!!!



Today's Agenda

- 9:00 Welcome, Introductions, and Ice Breaker
- 9:15 Statewide Updates
- 9:50 10-minute stretch break
- 10:00 Highlights from the Field - Stacie Stensrud – MTAS
- 10:20 Highlights from the Field – Region 10
- 10:40 Highlights from the Field – Structuring the Unstructured Video
- 11:00 10-minute stretch break
- 11:10 One page Description – Training Video
- 11:30 Break out Groups for One Page Description
- 11:45 Return to large group, give feedback, wrap up
- 12:00 Adjourn

ICEBREAKER!!

How many marshmallows in the jar?

Type your answer in the chat to Michele Glynn privately!

5 closest win!



Topics we will cover in MN State Updates

- Review MN Resources for ASD
- Current Demographic Data
- Current Activities/Events
- New ASD Assessment Manual
- ASD Monthly Newsletter (Template) for Regions

Metro ECSU ASD Webpage

<https://www.mnlowincidenceprojects.org/Projects/asd/asdResources.html>

What you can find here:

- MN ASD Assessment Guide
- MN ASD Criteria
- Minnesota Autism Resource Portal
- MN Pathways for Services and Supports for ASD

and more...

MN EBPs USING STAR Webpage

Also on the Metro ECSU website:

<https://www.mnlowincidenceprojects.org/Projects/star/index.html>

What you can find here:

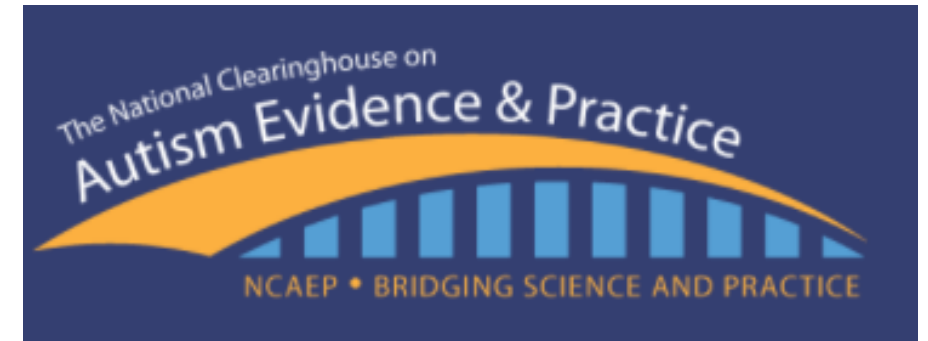
- How to sign up for a SOLS and Media Center Account – FREE THIS YEAR!
- STAR Training Bytes
- STAR and LINKS Pacing Guides
- LINKS Implementation Video
- IEP Goals/Objectives linked with STAR

EBPs!!

- NPDC-ASD is now The National Clearinghouse on Autism Evidence and Practice (NCAEP)
- 27 Evidence Based Practices
- Aligned with AFIRM Modules

Autism Focused Intervention Resources & Modules

Don't forget about the Autism Internet Modules (AIM)



Autism Focused Intervention
Resources & Modules



AUTISM INTERNET
MODULES

Our NEW and much anticipated report on Evidence-Based Practices is complete and ready for you. [View Report >](#)



BRIDGING SCIENCE AND PRACTICE

The National Clearinghouse on Autism Evidence and Practice (NCAEP) is a continuation of the systematic review completed by the National Professional Development Center on Autism Spectrum



2020 EVIDENCE- BASED PRACTICES REPORT

Evidence-Based Practices for Children, Youth, and Young Adults with Autism

Our new report synthesizes intervention research published between 1990 and 2017. Check out



AUTISM FOCUSED INTERVENTION RESOURCES AND MODULES

The Autism Focused Intervention Resources and Modules (AFIRM) are a free online tool designed to ensure that practitioners and families can USE these practices once they are identified through the review.

Formerly NPDC-ASD

SOLS for the Classroom

- Statewide access for 2021-2022 for ALL MN Educators
- 1500 educators in MN have requested accounts
- Free SOLS 2.0 account included the STAR Media Center
- All regions had high participation
- Recorded trainings and live trainings were well attended
- Need to encourage SOLS 2.0 users to learn STAR!
- New videos available!

ASD Member Feedback from Fall 2020

- Have a Summary Card of Information from this meeting for statewide members to share out.
- Select some EBPs and offer training, possibly virtual.
- Weave in new STAR supports to help better understand how they relate to EBPs.
- 71% indicated online training is best for them.
- 58% wants advanced workshops on EBPs.

ASD Member Feedback from Spring 2021

- Advanced workshops on EBPs
- Online training modules or webinars
- Executive Functioning
- Transition and curriculum to offer districts
- Tech apps for teaching reading math and social skills
- Students on the spectrum and LGBTQ
- Cultural Competency

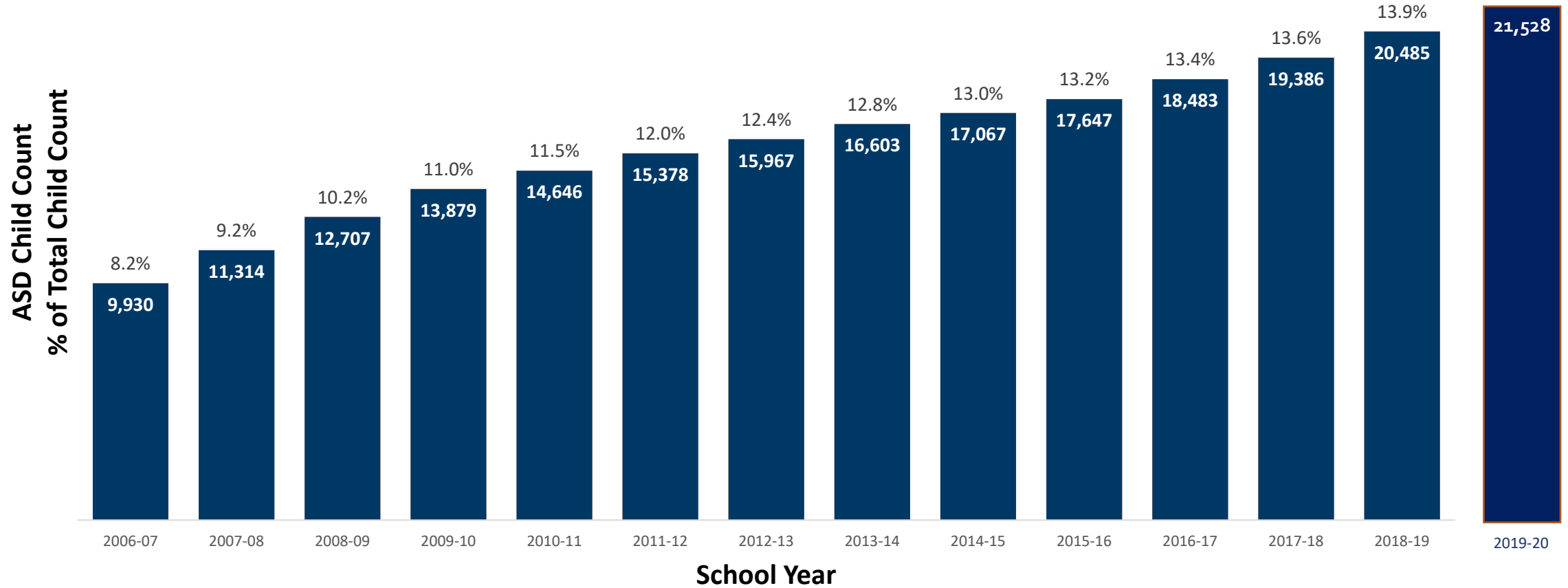


CURRENT DEMOGRAPHIC DATA

Minnesota Child Count Ages 0-21
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Autism Spectrum Disorder





ASD EVENTS/ACTIVITIES

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Annual Autism Spectrum Disorder Events

- ASD Statewide CoP Meeting & Training (Fall and Spring)
- Regional and Subregional Meetings & Training
- State Autism Conference (MN Autism Society, April 27-29, 2022)
- Summer Symposium (MDE, Metro ECSU, St Thomas, AuSM, in August)
- Charting the Cs (Metro ECSU, in November)
- STAR Quarterly Webinars
 - Dec 7, Mar 1, and May 3 from 3-4 pm
- Midyear STAR/LINKS In Person Training at the ECSU, Feb 2, 2022, 9-3pm



NEW ASD ASSESSMENT MANUAL

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Autism Assessment Resources Guide 2021

Website:

<https://www.mnlowincidenceprojects.org/Projects/asd/asdAssessmentGuide.html>

Autism Assessment Resources Guide 2021

About this Manual

The *2021 Autism Assessment Resources Guide* is the fifth update to the educational evaluation guide for Minnesota and includes resources from early childhood through transition age as well as guidance on prereferral to program planning for students with suspected ASD.

The Autism Assessment Resource Guide 2021 is expanded to both, 1) provide guidance to educators who are new to the educational evaluation of suspected ASD, and to 2) provide veteran educators with a repository of assessment resources. This updated guide parallels the assessment process and includes a brief description as well as recommended resources and tools related to the steps of the process.

The links below are all PDF file format.

- [ASD Guide Cover](#)
- [Acknowledgements](#)
- **Table of Contents:**
 - [Introduction](#)
 - [Section 1](#) (General Information on Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD))
 - [Section 2](#) (Pre-Referral)
 - [Section 3](#) (Evaluation, Developmental Histories, Observations, Standardized (Formal) Assessments, Informal Assessments, Interviews)
 - [Section 4](#) (Transition)
 - [Section 5](#) (Assistive Technology - AT)
 - [Section 6](#) (Executive Functioning)
 - [Section 7](#) (Functional Behavior Assessment - FBA)
 - [Section 8](#) (Conclusion)

Thank you!

Thank you to Jill Yost & Christy Zubke for
their hard work in updating this manual!!!

New ASD Monthly Newsletter

- For regions (each region has one Smore account to access the template)
- Can use the template without adding if desired
- Can add regional information and send out to region
- Can use as a goal for your Regional CoP
- RLIFS have been notified
- RLIFS will determine who to oversee the Regional Account
- Sample!

Coming up next – Highlights from the Field

- MDE ALT MCA Redesign by Stacie Stensrud
- Region 10: New Teacher Supports: Quick Reference EBPs & ASD Induction Kits
- Structuring the Unstructured, SPPS, Presented at this summer's symposium in

August <https://youtu.be/RcH7TrAsclo>

We miss you, Laurie!

Remembering Laurie's dedication to this ASD CoP and all students! She was a champion for students with ASD and was MN Middle School Teacher of the Year in 2020.





Thank you for your hard work!!

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