

Keeping *You* Informed...

Featured Article:

[Translating Social Skills into IEP Goals](#)



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[Why do we use the expected social thinking vocabulary?](#)

Featured Article:

[A young child with severe autism blossoms when his family adopts a dying dog. Both the dog](#)

Hello!

I hope you are well. As you may know, April is [National Autism Awareness Month](#).



Teaching social skills is crucial to children on the autism spectrum. Individual sessions with the speech pathologist are a great way to teach new skills to the child and his/her caregivers. Group time is important to practicing these skills.

I hope you will find the following links and articles helpful, especially as we go into IEP season.

Take care, and have a wonderful day!

Warm regards,
Sharon

Did You Know...

- Prevalence in the United States is estimated at 1 in 68 births. (CDC, 2014).
- More than 3.5 million Americans live with an autism spectrum disorder. (Buescher et al., 2014)
- Autism is the fastest-growing developmental disability. (CDC, 2008)
**Source: [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#) (CDC) and [The Autism Society](#)

and child found healing together.

Personalized Support...

Through **Pearl Speech Associates**, my intention is to determine the speech, language and executive function needs of an individual. Throughout the treatment journey, I choose proactive options that have the greatest impact, while keeping in mind the unique needs of each client.

My language-based therapy interventions provide the foundation needed to support reading, decoding and comprehension skills.

As part of the team process, I work closely with parents, teachers, and other professionals. My greatest satisfaction comes from *making a difference in the life of a student.*



Featured Article:

Augmentative communication using tablet technology opens doors to a young man's world. Truly amazing!



Connecting with your child is at the heart of Michelle Garcia Winner's Social Thinking approach to establishing and maintaining communication with your child diagnosed with ASD.



[New Understanding and Hope for Children on the Autism Spectrum](#)

[Non-verbal Teen with Autism Gives Graduation Address at School](#)

[Managing Impulsivity Through Self-Regulation](#)



*"Making a Difference
in the Life of a Student"*

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