

1 IN 54
children in the
United States
have autism.

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 2020



ASD is reported to occur in
ALL racial, ethnic, and
socioeconomic groups in the
U.S.

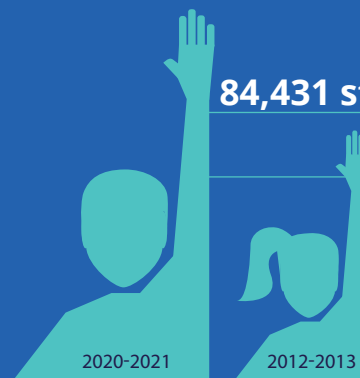
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Autism is **4 TIMES** more
prevalent in boys than girls.

1 in 37 boys and 1 in 151 girls have autism in the U.S.

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The number of students
with autism in Texas
continues to rise.

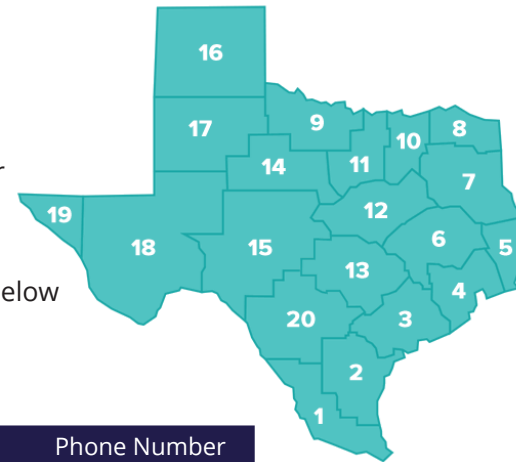
PEIMS data: 2012-2013 and 2020-2021

“Education, both directly of children, and of parents
and teachers, is currently the primary form of
treatment for autistic spectrum disorders.”

National Research Council, 2001

Who can I call?

The Texas Statewide Leadership for
Autism Training is a collaboration
among the 20 regional Education
Service Centers. Look at the table below
for your regional autism contact.



ESC	Autism Contact	Phone Number
1	Terri McGinnis	956-984-6228
2	Ambra Sherrod	361-561-8563
3	Justin Morton	361-573-0731
4	Cathy Williams	713-744-6801
5	Killey Hays	409-951-1745
6	Melinda Elsner	936-435-8253
7	Jennifer Montalvo	903-988-6975
8	Shirley Agan	903-575-2769
9	Tiffany Leach	940-322-6928
10	Layne Pethick	972-348-1588
11	Michael Tucker	817-740-7586
12	Cindy Engel	254-297-1152
13	Darcy Schiller	512-919-5224
14	Amber Davies	325-675-8636
15	Brandi Mendoza	325-481-4055
16	Cynthia Davis	806-677-5199
17	Anna Phillips	806-281-5859
18	Desiree Caddell	432-561-4338
19	Katherine Wellborn	915-780-5350
20	Amy Strauch	210-370-5381



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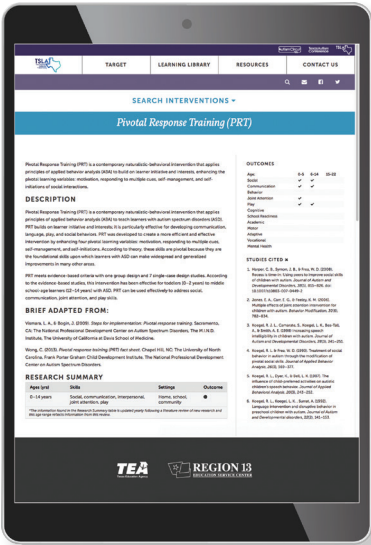


Free learning and supports
for you at txautism.net

TARGET

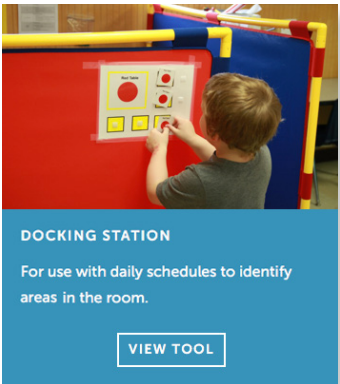
(Texas Autism Resource Guide
for Effective Teaching)

TARGET assists school staff and parents in identifying practices from initial referral to program development and implementation with a strong emphasis on research-based strategies, as required by the Commissioner’s Rule Related to Autism TAC 89.1055(e). Sections on Evaluations and Interventions are a rich ARD committee resource for thoughtful program planning.



Autism Circuit Toolkit

The toolkit provides tools and techniques to implement evidence-based strategies identified in the TARGET manual. Every tool includes an explanation of how and when to use it, free printable resources, and links to further your knowledge.



ONLINE COURSES

All courses are FREE and offer CEUs for educators.

FOUNDATIONAL

- Autism 101: Top Ten Pieces to the Puzzle
 - Classroom Organization: The Power of Structure
 - Solving the Behavior Puzzle: Making Connections
 - Navigating the Social Maze: Supports & Interventions
 - The Power of Communication
 - Executive Functioning
 - Augmentative and Alternative Communication and the Autism Spectrum
 - Futures Planning
- CURSOS EN ESPAÑOL**
Varios cursos disponibles, que varían en duración de 3-6 horas. Los cursos incluyen Autismo 101 y Resolviendo el Rompecabezas de Comportamiento.

STRATEGIES FOR WORKING WITH STUDENTS WITH AUTISM IN THE GENERAL EDUCATION SETTING
Twelve part series of 30-minute courses was designed to give general educators, parents, administrators, paraprofessionals, and others quick, practical strategies that can be easily implemented in the general education classroom.

- ADDITIONAL LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES INCLUDE:**
- Series of 28 webinars, 30-45 minutes in length, covering Evidence-Based Practices
 - Series of three courses on Child-Centered Collaboration
 - Autism Law Enforcement & First Responder Training Video and Toolkit
 - Four-part series on Autism and Assistive Technology
 - Sexuality for Individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities
 - FBA and BIP Issues and Strategies
 - Working with and Supporting Paraprofessionals in the Special Education Classroom ...and more!

VIDEO GALLERY

A collection of knowledge and strategies in action from experts, teachers and parents.

EXPERT INTERVIEWS

EXPERT INTERVIEWS 2:41

Important Concepts for Students with Unique Needs

Consideration of non-negotiables for students with disabilities in the educational setting.

TEACHER INTERVIEWS

TEACHER INTERVIEWS 1:16

Self-Advocacy and Self-Determination

Importance of self advocacy and self determination and strategies that may be beneficial in building these skills.

PARENT INTERVIEWS

PARENT INTERVIEWS 0:52

Encouraging Independence

Parents sharing how they support independence for their son with autism.

STRATEGIES IN ACTION

STRATEGIES IN ACTION 6:31

Individualizing a Student's Schedule

Shawn demonstrates a need for a different schedule and his teachers appropriately respond.

