

## Frequently Asked Questions: Preschool ASD Series

**Q: What are the dates for the Preschool ASD Training Series and where is it held?**

A: OCALI typically partners with the State Support Teams (SST) in Ohio to schedule trainings. The location of the training depends on the SST and are held at various locations across Ohio.

**Q: How much does this training cost?**

A: If the State Support Team (SST) is hosting the training there is no cost for participants. OCALI does offer customized training for a fee. For more information, visit the Autism Center [Request Help](https://www.ocali.org/project/request_help_autism_center) website ([https://www.ocali.org/project/request\\_help\\_autism\\_center](https://www.ocali.org/project/request_help_autism_center))

**Q: I live outside of Ohio, but I'm interested in this training. Is it ever offered outside of Ohio?**

A: We are currently only offering this training in Ohio. If you are interested in speaking more about the possibility of the training being offered outside of Ohio or other resources that may support your work, please reach out to Julie Short. [julie\\_short@ocali.org](mailto:julie_short@ocali.org) 614.410.0996

**Q: I noticed teams are needed for the last three days of the Series (Days 4, 5, and 6). Are teams needed for the first three days as well?**

A: The first three days of the Series is intended for preschool personnel who work with students with ASD, or suspect children in their program who may have an autism spectrum disorder. Teams are only needed for the last three days of the Series.

**Q: How many hours from OCCRRRA can I receive for attending this training series?**

A: You will receive 5 hours for each training you attend. You will need to be sure to register through OCCRRRA for this event to receive the appropriate hours. Registration for the Preschool Series is handled by the State Support Teams.

**Q: I would like to attend the Preschool Series but it is currently not being offered this school year in my region. Are there any other preschool trainings geared towards autism that I could look into?**

A: Have you heard of [ASD Strategies in Action](https://autismcertificationcenter.org/) (<https://autismcertificationcenter.org/>)? This may be an opportunity for you to increase your understanding of ASD and learn about the evidence-based practices to support individuals with ASD. Through video-based instruction, viewers can learn through real life examples filmed in schools, homes, workplaces, and community settings. Sign up for the toddler/preschool courses. ASD Strategies in Action is free to Ohio residents. Anyone outside of Ohio can take the introductory course, Many Faces of Autism, at no cost but to view additional courses participants will need to pay. Get started now by creating an [account](https://autismcertificationcenter.org/get-started) (<https://autismcertificationcenter.org/get-started>)

**Q: I am really needing to learn more about how to support young children with complex needs and behavioral challenges. Do you offer any online courses that may assist me?**

A: Yes, we do! The Autism Certification Center's new coursework [Behavior Assessment and Planning](https://autismcertificationcenter.org/bap) (<https://autismcertificationcenter.org/bap>) is designed to provide a comprehensive, in-depth understanding of how to use functional behavior assessment and positive behavioral intervention planning to decrease interfering behaviors and teach new skills. The evidence-based interventions are presented online with videos including expert interviews, perspectives from people on the autism spectrum, and case examples in a variety of environments. A 40-hour course focusing on toddlers and preschool age is available for a fee.

**Q: I have already completed the Autism Certification Center ASD Strategies in Action Series-Preschool/Toddler courses. How is ASD Strategies in Action different from the Preschool ASD Training Series?**

A: The Preschool ASD Training Series is a face to face training that focuses on a variety of topics associated with understanding the diverse needs of young children with ASD. You will learn similar strategies in both series. However, when attending the Preschool ASD Training Series you will have onsite support from OCALI trainers to ask questions and receive feedback as well as engage and network with other participants.

**Q: What if I can't make it to all six sessions, but would like to still be a part of the team training on Days 4, 5 and 6? Could I still attend just on the days I am available?**

A: We do ask that participants attend as many sessions as possible to be prepared for the team training. OCALI and the SST realize this may not always be possible for some attendees, so we can be flexible with this process. However, please understand the initial 3 days of the training provides a foundation for the team training on days 4, 5, and 6.