



Manitoba Association of Resource Teachers (MART)

The Difference a Team can make for the Struggling Learner and You

Holy Eucharist Parish Centre, 460 Munroe Avenue

Dr. Mark Cooper, Ph.D., LPC

Dr. Mark Cooper, Ph.D., LPC is a professor in the Department of Early Childhood and Special Education at the University of Central Arkansas. He is a licensed professional counselor and author of "Bound and Determined to Help Children with Learning Disabilities Succeed." He is a renowned speaker and consultant who has touched and transformed audiences of teachers, community professionals and parents with his insights and strategies for engaging the abilities of the struggling learner. Dr. Cooper guides audiences from negative feelings of frustration and being overwhelmed to using positive, effective interventions.

Dr. Cooper is working on interventions that are designed for relationship building for support teams which include classroom teachers, resource teachers, parents, students, children and youth. "The more we can integrate those who influence our struggling learners the

better the intervention. The primary focus is on the social emotional impact on the struggling learners. There is a need to embed social emotional education into the education of reading, writing, science and mathematics. The emotional / social state of our struggling learners has a significant influence on their academic success. Academic learning builds upon social emotional learning. Such instruction requires the teaching team to respect the struggling learners rather than fix them."

Dr Cooper's belief is it takes a team. Let's make the team that it takes.

At this workshop you will:

- Discover how to make a child part of the team and why this is fundamental.
- Understand the child's thoughts, feelings and actions and how such thoughts confuse the child and the team.
- Learn how the team approach promotes the positive and demotes the negative.

- Learn to help the child in a mutually respectful way without treating the child as if he or she needs fixing.
- Learn "I.A.C.C.E.P.T.M.E. strategies that support a sense of self-acceptance and team acceptance especially in the midst of daily challenges.

Participants on Friday October 21: school teams including counselors, resource teachers, classroom teachers, administrators, parents, clinicians, educational assistants, etc.

Building and Acknowledging the Character Traits Struggling Learners Need to Succeed

Thursday evening, October 20, 2011

Learning Disabilities Association of Manitoba

6:30-9:00 pm

Workshop contact info: Marilyn MacKinnon at ldamanitoba4@mts.net.

REGISTRATION

Registration for Friday

Registration opens at 8:15. Sessions: 9:00 to 3:30. Lunch provided.

MART Group Membership

Full/regular.....\$30.00

Partial(educational assistant/
student).....\$20.00

SAGE Conference Registration Fee

MART full member.....\$55.00

Non-member.....\$65.00

MART partial member

(EA/student).....\$25.00

Partial non-member
(EA/student).....\$30.00

Mail to:

MART Conference 2011 c/o Linda Hallow, Box 62 Woodlands, MB ROC 3H0

Conference Contact Info

Linda Hallow, 1-204-383-5019, lhal-low@mts.net. Helene Fraser, 1-204-897-6375, fraserhe@mymts.net

Please note: Registration is limited to 300 registrants.

Please make a copy of the registration form. Fill it out. Enclose a cheque payable to MART.

Mail to Linda Hallow. Just write Portage or Dr. Cooper where it asks for the CODE.



Manitoba Association of Resource Teachers (MART)
Evidence-Based Behaviour Interventions for Classroom Teachers
 65 3RD Street, S.W., Portage La Prairie, Manitoba

Maxine Mutcher

Maxine Mutcher is a School Psychologist with the Portage la Prairie School Division. She has over twenty-five years of experience working with children. Her roles have included Private Music Teacher, Educational Assistant, Summer Gap Coordinator for Children’s Special Services and a Youth Worker with Addictions Foundation of Manitoba. Maxine has recently brought her varied experiences to the field of School Psychology. She graduated from the University of Manitoba School Psychology Program in 2010. She feels that her greatest accomplishment to date is getting her husband to pick up his socks (using a behaviour program).

Dr. Karen Pain

Dr. Karen Pain is also a School Psychologist with the Portage la Prairie School Division. Dr. Pain has over twenty-five years of experience working in school settings across three western provinces.

She ran a private practice in Fort McMurray, Alberta for five years, providing therapy and assessment services to school divisions, reserves, and private clients. Dr. Pain has extensive experience programming for children with behaviour challenges. She particularly enjoys designing interventions that are “outside of the box”

How can teachers help students change their behaviours?

Did you know that researchers have identified the core components of many behaviour strategies? They have isolated the specific parts of each strategy that are needed to produce changes in behaviour. These core components are called “kernels”. Kernels are the “bare minimum strategies” that are needed to produce changes in behaviour.

- This workshop will examine these kernels, exploring a wide range of evidence-based behaviour interventions for classroom use.

- Participants will learn simple and effective ways to change student behaviour.
- This information will also allow teachers to redesign existing behaviour programs to increase the success of programs in their classrooms

Location

Portage Collegiate Institute, Prince Charles building (the big black building in the multi-purpose room on the main floor).

Address: 65 3rd street, S.W., Portage la Prairie, Manitoba

Parking: limited street parking is available around the Prince Charles building. Ample parking is available in the parking lot of the Portage Collegiate Institute (building immediately west of the Prince Charles building), enter off Saskatchewan Avenue.

REGISTRATION

MART membership.....\$30.00

SAGE Conference Registration Fee\$35.00

Space is limited to 200 registrants
 Lunch is on your own. This is a full day workshop (9:00 a.m.–3:30 p.m.).

Conference Contact Info

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