

"Finding Trees in the Forest" (Teacher/Family Partnerships)

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Workshop Description

For students with disabilities, the relationship between parents and teachers is key to future success. Learn tips from these expert guides--a savvy parent consultant and an outstanding special education teacher--on how to travel the path of partnership.

Nevertheless, no school can work well for children if parents and teachers do not act in partnership on behalf of the children's best interests. Parents have every right to understand what is happening to their children at school, and teachers have the responsibility to share that information... Such communication, which can only be in a child's interest, is not possible without mutual trust between parent and teacher. ~Dorothy H. Cohen



Earn Your Badge:

- Learn:** How to create relationships that work.
- Understand:** One another's point of view.
- Demonstrate:** How to respond to teachers.
- Find:** Additional resources about teacher/family partnerships.

Meet your Expert Guides



Derek Govin is the co-founder and coordinator of the SPEDucator project to increase high quality special education teachers for our students in Hawaii. He is a community based instruction SPED teacher at Ewa Makai Middle School and believes in the power of community within the classroom, school and community at large.

As a Mom of children with disabilities and an advocate, **Linee Reeves** is passionate in empowering parents and building partnerships with families, schools, and our community. She is intentional about raising awareness for all abilities and encourages people to look beyond the disability.