



# Trainer of Paraeducator Academies (TOPA) Train the Trainer Session

**March 7, 2012 4PM - 8PM**

**Laurel Administration Building, Board Room  
410 Colorado Avenue, Laurel**

## Overview

This Trainer of Paraeducator Academies (TOPA) train the trainer session is designed for experienced educators that have worked with paraprofessionals. The session will provide an overview of the essential skills needed to be an effective presenter, how to use Power Point presentations, and will give each participant access to online information to teach the twenty two academies. These academies provide a solid working foundation for teachers and paraprofessionals that create a common understanding of special education goals, objectives, and language. These trainings are a great way to create a team approach to meet the needs of students.

## Para Academies

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| Instructional Teamwork                             | Orientation to Special Education              | Interpersonal Skills     |
| Personal Growth and Development                    | Student Supervision                           | Instructional Strategies |
| Behavior Management                                | Instructional Technology                      | Life Skills              |
| Significant Communication Support Needs            | Autism Spectrum Disorders                     |                          |
| Significant Health Support Needs                   | Significant Supports for Challenging Behavior |                          |
| Assisting with Reading Fluency                     | Assisting with Phonics and Phonemic Awareness |                          |
| Assisting Grades K-4 with Mathematics              | Assisting with Vocabulary and Comprehension   |                          |
| Number Theory and Rational Numbers                 | Algebraic Concepts and Spatial Reasoning      |                          |
| Orientation to Bilingual Education                 | Language Development and Acquisition          |                          |
| Instructional Methods for Second Language Learners |   |                          |

## Presenters

Sara Evans received a Bachelors degree from Northern Arizona University, holding a dual degree in Elementary Education and Special Education and is currently a special education teacher at Shepherd.

Libby Johnson received a Bachelors degree from Montana State University Billings, holding a dual degree in Elementary Education and Special Education and is currently a high school special education teacher in Red Lodge.

**No Registration Fee!**

**OPI Units Available**

### Contact

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