

## **Communication and Networking Committee May 2005**

The purpose of the committee is to work in partnership with parents and other professionals to the benefit of students with autism in our region.

In 2004-2005, we will identify and network with other stakeholder groups who have an interest in autism in the region.

In 2005-2006, we will continue to expand our contacts and knowledge of stakeholder groups with an interest in the area of autism and assist in the dissemination of information to RAT members, educators, and parents in our region.

In 2006-2007, we will continue to network and develop partnerships with stakeholder groups in the area of autism and assist in the dissemination of information to RAT members, educators, and parents in our region.

We will know we are reaching our goals by an increased awareness and collaboration activities between the various stakeholder groups!

**Chairperson:** Joyce Lopez, Russellville Independent Schools

<b>Activities</b>	<b>Person Responsible</b>	<b>Due Date</b>	<b>Completed</b>
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### **2004-2005**

Continue to update information of resources on Autism Web page (e.g. resource list, web links, workshops in area).	Debra Myers & Derek Stice	Ongoing	Ongoing
Continue to post on Autism Web page electronic newsletters from other stakeholder groups (e.g. KATC, KAP, parent support groups)	Debra Myers & Derek Stice	Ongoing	Ongoing
Continue to invite various community service agencies to meetings for sharing/networking	Committee	Ongoing	Ongoing
Develop a monthly reminder to update Autism Web page	Debra Myers & Derek Stice	September 2005	
Partner with other CESC Regional Teams (e.g. Transition, AT, & Behavior Support)	Vickie Smith, Cynthia York, & Deb Myers		
Generate sample classroom list for different program model (e.g. PECS, TEACCH, & ABA)	Cynthia York & Cyndi Hurt	Spring 2005	May 2005
Set up distribution list of RAT members and forward	Debra Myers	Fall, 2004	December 2004
Identify components for Autism 101 Tool	Rat Members	May 2005	May 2005

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### 2005-2006

Continue to update information of resources on Autism Web page (e.g. resource list, web links, workshops in area.	Debra Myers & Derek Stice	Ongoing	Ongoing
Continue to post on Autism Web page electronic newsletters from other stakeholder groups (e.g. KATC, KAP, parent support groups	Debra Myers & Derek Stice	Ongoing	Ongoing
Provide articles/book review summaries for Autism Web page	RAT Members	Ongoing	Ongoing
Invite community members (e.g. KAP, WKU, Private providers) to participate and network with RAT	Debra Myers	Fall, 2005	
Establish guidelines for non school personnel to attend PD events	Pam Coe	January 2006	
Continue to invite various community service agencies to meetings to share/network	RAT Members	Ongoing	Ongoing
Update RAT distribution list annually	Debra Myers	Fall, 2005	
Continue to provide presentations to RAT of success stories	RAT members	Ongoing	Ongoing
Identify community resources appropriate for students with Autism	Committee	Ongoing	Ongoing
Provide opportunities for RAT to visit samples of different program models (e.g. PESC, TEACCH, & ABA	RAT Members	Fall, 2005	
Establish cross-district consultation services	RAT Members interested	Fall, 2005	
Partner with other CESC Regional Teams (e.g. Transition, AT, Behavior Support)	Vickie Smith, Cynthia York, & Deb Myers		
Develop a parent resource guide for Autism web page			
Develop a Autism 101 Tool kit for teachers	RAT Members	January 2006	

### 2006-2007

Continue to update information of resources on Autism Web page (e.g. resource list, web links, workshops in area.	Debra Myers & Derek Stice	Ongoing	
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