



# 2017 CoLA Summer Institute



## Leaders Networking for Success

**JUNE 28 - 29, 2017** ..... Doubletree by Hilton  
1021 Koger Center Boulevard; Midlothian, VA

- ▶ Registration includes breakfast, lunch, and all conference materials
- ▶ Early Bird Registration: \$70.00 from April 19<sup>th</sup> to June 2<sup>nd</sup>
- ▶ Late Registration: \$90.00 June 3<sup>rd</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup>
- ▶ Hotel costs are included for registrants traveling more than 50 miles one way from work location to event
- ▶ **Registration Link:** <https://vcuautismcenter.org/registration/conference>

Please refer to your confirmation email for information about making your hotel reservation.

### TOPICS & ACTIVITIES...

- ▶ Networking
- ▶ Embedding Data
- ▶ Evidence-Based Practice
- ▶ Panel Discussion Sessions
- ▶ Building Capacity

### OPENING & CLOSING KEYNOTES

#### D.J. Svoboda



D. J. Svoboda was diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder at the age of 3. Today is a dynamic motivational speaker, artist, and author. Hearing D. J. tell his story of how he uses his art as a vehicle to spread the message of hope, inspiration and awareness is sure to encourage you!



#### Project SEARCH

Young adults who have gained employment after participation in Project SEARCH will present information about their transition from high school to employment. Topics will include the impact of Project SEARCH on social skills, communication, self-determination, and independence. Additionally, these successful youth will share lessons learned in the transition from school to work.

### AGENDA-AT-A-GLANCE

#### Day 1

- 8:00-9:00 a.m. -- Registration and Continental Breakfast
- 9:00-9:30 a.m. -- Welcome & Opening Comments
- 9:30-10:15 a.m. -- Opening Keynote
- 10:15 -10:30 a.m. -- BREAK
- 10:30-12:00 p.m. -- Breakout Session #1
- 12:00-1:15 p.m. -- LUNCH PROVIDED
- 1:15-2:45 p.m. -- Breakout Session #2
- 2:45-3:00 p.m. -- BREAK
- 3:00-4:30 p.m. -- Breakout Session #3

#### Day 2

- 8:00-9:00 a.m. -- Breakfast Buffet
- 9:00-10:00 a.m. -- State of the State Address
- 10:00-11:30 a.m. -- Regional CoLA Planning Meetings
- 11:30-11:45 a.m. -- BREAK
- 11:45-12:30 p.m. -- Regional CoLA Report Out
- 12:30-2:00 p.m. -- LUNCH & Closing Keynote

#### Hosted by:



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