

Social Skills Group for High School Age Students (9th-12th grade)

Presented in collaboration with the FSU Center for Autism and Related Disabilities, FSU Multidisciplinary Center, and FSU School of Communication Science & Disorders

6:00-7:30 * Begins on Tuesday, September 5, 2017 * 14 Weeks

FSU School of Communication Science & Disorders

Warren Building

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[PEERS \(Program for the Education and Enrichment of Relational Skills\)](#) is a 14-week evidence-based social skills intervention for motivated teens who will be in high school during the 2017-2018 academic year who are interested in learning ways to help them make and keep friends. During each group session teens are taught important social skills and are given the opportunity to practice these skills in session during socialization activities. Parents attend separate sessions at the same time and are taught how to assist their teens in making and keeping friends by helping to expand their teen's social network and providing feedback through coaching during weekly socialization homework assignments.

Enrollment is limited. Parent participation is REQUIRED.

(Parents will meet same day/time as teens)

Your Teen Will Learn

- ❖ How to use appropriate conversational skills
- ❖ How to find common interests by trading information
- ❖ How to appropriately use humor
- ❖ How to enter and exit conversations between peers
- ❖ How to handle rejection, teasing, and bullying
- ❖ How to handle rumors and gossip
- ❖ How to be a good host during get-togethers
- ❖ How to make phone calls to friends
- ❖ How to choose appropriate friends
- ❖ How to be a good sport
- ❖ How to handle arguments and disagreements
- ❖ How to change a bad reputation

Enrollment and Group Information

PEERS may be appropriate for teens in grades 9th – 12th, with:

- ❖ ADHD
- ❖ Asperger's Disorder
- ❖ Depression
- ❖ High Functioning Autism
- ❖ Other social and behavioral problems
- ❖ Pervasive Developmental Disorder
- ❖ Anxiety

For questions or for enrollment information, please contact [**farrington@psy.fsu.edu**](mailto:farrington@psy.fsu.edu)

Participants must participate in an interview process prior to actual enrollment in the group. Please register to participate in this interview at [**https://fsupeersgroupfall2017.eventbrite.com**](https://fsupeersgroupfall2017.eventbrite.com)