



# *School-Age Stuttering: A Practical Approach*

**December 6, 2023**

**9:00 am - 3:00 pm**

**CESA 10, 725 W. Park Ave., Chippewa Falls**

School-age children who stutter can face many challenges, both in and out of the classroom. Common problems include negative emotional reactions, such as embarrassment and anxiety; difficulties reading aloud in class or participating in group discussions; and limitations while interacting with peers. Unfortunately, many speech-language pathologists report that they are not confident in their ability to help children deal with these consequences of stuttering. Clinicians also report uncertainty about meeting eligibility criteria, generalizing gains made in the therapy room to real-world situations, and dealing with problems like bullying. The purpose of this workshop is to provide clinicians with applicable, practical strategies for helping school-age children and adolescents who stutter overcome the problems associated with stuttering. The presentation will include: specific guidelines for conducting comprehensive evaluations that support treatment recommendations and goal-writing; detailed instructions for how to prepare children for therapy to ensure success; and video examples of numerous treatment strategies and activities designed to help children improve their fluency, reduce their negative reactions to stuttering, educate others about stuttering, and communicate effectively across speaking situations. Participants will come away from the workshop feeling more confident in their ability to help children who stutter and more knowledgeable about how to approach stuttering assessment and treatment in the school setting and beyond.

**Presenter:** **J. Scott Yaruss, PhD, CCC-SLP, BCS-F, ASHA Fellow** is a Professor of Communicative Sciences and Disorders at Michigan State University. In addition to conducting research on the development of stuttering in young children, Dr. Yaruss has extensive experience working with children and adults who stutter in a wide variety of clinical settings.

**Target Audience:** Speech-Language Pathologists

**Cost:** \$140 for CESA 10 Special Education Professional Development member districts; \$35 for University Students; \$165 to all others.

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*This is a hybrid event; participants may attend in person or virtually.*

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