club 21
learning & resource center for individuals with down syndrome

EDUCATIONAL PARTERSHIP

Fall 2026 Educator Symposium

Saturday, October 3, 2026 | **9:00 AM – 2:00 PM** | **Zoom**

Join Club 21's Educational Partnerships Program for a day of practical strategies and insights to support inclusive education and meaningful learning for all students.



Arielle Starkman

Inclusive Education Consultant

9:00 AM – 10:15 AM

Adapting on the Fly: Quick Moves for Creating Curriculum Access in the Moment

Learn simple, in-the-moment strategies to help students access a lesson when the original task isn't working. Arielle will explore how to identify the essential learning target, recognize barriers, and make small shifts to tasks, materials, response options, and adult support –without redesigning the entire lesson.

Participants will leave with practical tools to increase access, participation, independence, and belonging.



Danielle McKinney

Director of Education Programs & Services, Down Syndrome Resource Foundation

10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

Top Ten Tips for Building Successful Readers

What does it take to build successful readers? Danielle will share ten practical tips for supporting literacy development for learners with Down syndrome, including predictable routines, comprehensive instruction, purposeful repetition, following the learner, and celebrating small gains.

Participants will leave with strategies for making instructional decisions while maintaining high expectations for every learner.



Kayla Coburn

Special Education Consultant & Author

12:30 PM – 2:00 PM

Making the Classroom Accessible for All Learners

Inclusion is more than simply placing students in the same classroom. Kayla will walk through real-world scenarios involving IEPs, behaviors, and accommodations and demonstrate how thoughtful changes can support students, ease the workload for teachers, and create a more inclusive classroom for everyone.

Kayla brings experience as a paraeducator, special education teacher, and consultant, and is the author of three books on disability inclusion.

Don't miss this opportunity to learn, connect, and be inspired!

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