



Stetson & Associates Awarded the Blue Ribbon for Cutting Edge Paraeducator Courses!

HOUSTON - Jan. 24, 2014 - [PRLog](#) -- STETSON & ASSOCIATES, INC., an education consulting firm, that has been awarded the IBCCES Blue Ribbon Award as a certified program that offers paraprofessionals online courses that will better the lives of students with autism. STETSON & ASSOCIATES was selected for the company's focus on supporting staff that work with the special needs students, and is among only a select group of programs operating throughout the United States.

There are approximately 700,000 paraeducators working in the nation's public schools and additional thousands working in private schools today. These individuals represent a major resource in improving student achievement and building stronger and more effective schools. Yet, there is a consensus across many educators that this resource has never been adequately trained and prepared for the important roles they play. Similarly, most teachers are not prepared to supervise, train, and monitor their paraeducator partners.

Stetson & Associates, Inc. has a talented staff of professionals who have served in instructional and administrative roles in general education, special education, and with other special populations, such as gifted and talented education, English Language Learners (ELL), and at-risk student populations.

Associates consist of former principals, central office administrators, teachers, coordinators, diagnosticians, and speech/language pathologists.

"A resource shouldn't just be something that's nice to have, it should be a tool that makes a professional want to wake up and go to work," Lyndsey Herrman, CEO, IBCCES. Herrman goes on to say, "Stetson & Associates offer courses that allow the professional community to earn the required hours for the IBCCES Autism Certificate and Certified Autism Specialist credentials with convenience and we thrilled to have them be a part of our network."

STETSON & ASSOCIATES offers courses in collaborative teaching, courses directed towards paraprofessionals and many more.

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About International Board of Credentialing and Continuing Education Standards (IBCCES)

IBCCES, is the largest independent credentialing and continuing education organizations with a focus in special needs and human services. The IBCCES is the accrediting body for the Certified Autism Specialist (CAS) and the Autism Certificate (AC) programs. IBCCES certification programs recognize professionals in the field of Autism who have met predetermined standards in their training, experience and performance.

CAS and AC professionals live and work in the U.S. and more than 40 countries around the world. *Learn more at www.certifiedautismspecialist.com*

About STETSON & ASSOCIATES

Stetson & Associates provides online standards-based professional development courses designed to interactively provide practical strategies and real-world examples to use in education. Earn CEU's while improving your practice anywhere, anytime! Visit our website to view our growing course catalog: <http://stetsonassociates.com/stetson-online>.

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