

SWITCH ON PARTICIPATION

The focus of this workshop is designed to increase your student's participation in all areas of life! This inservice will provide teachers, TA's and/or parents with the time to practice different set ups with switches or the opportunity to problem solve with others. The strategies apply to students with severe multiple disabilities.

Date:

Time - 1 ½ hours.

Location:

Contact Person to RSVP:

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AGENDA

1. Opening Activity - **15 minutes** - Worksheet entitled "Using A Switch" is filled out and discussed. Participants fill out the sheet independently for 5 minutes and discuss for 5. Share one idea from each table with the whole group (5 minutes).
2. Sharing By Facilitator combined with one brainstorming activity- **(30 minutes)**
3. Demonstrations - **(10 minutes)**
 - different switches and how they work
 - an Ablenet mounting arm
 - an Ablenet Powerlink and Switch Latch
 - setting up a switch, the Powerlink and an appliance
4. Final Activity - **(30 minutes)** - setting up an activity (switch, Powerlink/Switch Latch and appliance/toy). Teams can set up more than one if they have time.
5. Questions/Group Discussion - **5 minutes**

Handout Package includes:

- Modes Of Control For The Ablenet Powerlink
- Prompting For Switch Use - Sample Routine
- Activities & Routines With Switches - Primary And Intermediate Grades
- Working Towards The 1001 Switch Ideas