

# Library Event

**What: Speaker: A Teacher's View**

**Who: Colleen Rau-Angelico, Special Education Teacher, Norwood School System**

**Where: Student Center Upper Lounge**

**When: April 19, 2007 – 3:00 & 5:30 PM**

**Colleen Rau-Angelico** graduated Magna Cum Laude from Salve Regina University in May of 1996. She holds degrees in Elementary Education and Special Education. During her teaching career, she has worked exclusively with children diagnosed with Autistic Spectrum Disorders.

In 1998, Colleen piloted, implemented, and began teaching an Integrated Kindergarten Program for Nashua Public Schools. Colleen's "Learning Together" classroom was used as a research model for the University of New Hampshire's Institute on Disabilities. Colleen has also taught in West Hartford, Connecticut as an integrated preschool teacher. There she was responsible for implementing staff professional development opportunities related to ASD. She also acted as consultant to preschool programs and specific students in the community.

Colleen's experiences include numerous methodologies and direct access to experts in the field of ASD research. She has been a three-time participant in the National Autism Symposium. Colleen has training in Applied Behavioral Analysis, Relaxation Therapy, SCERTS, Non-Violent Crisis Intervention, and "Floor Time."

Colleen currently teaches an integrated preschool program for Norwood Public Schools. Colleen acts as the building consultant for children with ASD. She also serves as the Restraint Coordinator, and is a member of the School Council.

Colleen is, most importantly, the mother of two young sons. She resides with her family in Norwood.

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