



Sunshine Coast Occupational Therapy Inc.
Child Development Webinars
Enhance child development, behavior and learning.

Successful Schools

Diminishing Returns: Increasing Profits in the Classroom

Overview

ADHD, Autism, Fetal Alcohol Syndrome, Developmental Delay, Developmental Coordination Disorder, Learning Disability, Sensory Processing Disorder, Reactive

Attachment Disorder, Depression, Anxiety, Technology Addictions...*today's students are different!* Technology overuse is resulting in disabilities that the health and education systems are only beginning to detect, much less understand. Printing, reading and attention delays are the norm, with an ever widening gap in developmental level and consequent skill performance. With a ranking of 15th on the world stage for literacy, Canadian and U.S. schools are faced with making crucial decisions regarding changes to not only classroom, gym and playground environments, but also to curriculum programming, teacher education, as well as revisions to school policies and structures. The educational empire is on the decline, as returns on investments in education of children continue to diminish..



Goal

Diminishing Returns raises awareness regarding the diversity of today's student population, and offers specific and immediate solutions that parents, teachers, principals and government can implement in order to adequately address this growing concern.

Learning Outcomes

- Evaluate how school environments, policies and teaching styles limit child development, learning and achieving literacy.
- Define productivity and literacy, and review measurement techniques.
- Identify restructuring plans for classrooms, gyms and playgrounds to improve productivity and enhance academic performance.
- Create realistic initiatives to achieve success for every child.

Handouts

Productivity Designs for Classroom, Gym and Playgrounds
Zone'in Gym and Classroom Stations
Productivity Measurement Tool

Evidence based – Research referenced - Strategy focused

Creator and Speaker

Webinar creator **Cris Rowan** is a well-known speaker and author to parents, teachers and clinicians throughout North America in the field of sensory integration, motor development, learning enhancement and the impact of technology on children's neurological development. Cris has Bachelor of Science degrees in both Occupational Therapy and in Biology and is a SIPT certified Pediatric Sensory Specialist. Cris is CEO of Sunshine Coast Occupational Therapy Inc. and Zone'in Programs Inc. offering workshops/webinars, training, and consultation services to enhance child development, behavior and learning. Cris is a prolific writer creating the [Child Development Series Newsletter](#), [Moving to Learn](#) blog, [Unplug – Don't Drug](#) peer reviewed publication, [10 Reasons to ban handheld devices in children under 12](#) viral Huffington Post article with 7.2 million "likes", as well as her first book [Virtual Child – The terrifying truth about what technology is doing to children](#). Cris is a member of the internationally renowned *Institute for Digital Media and Child Development* and the *Children's Screen Time Action Network - Screens in Schools Committee*.



Who should buy and watch Webinar?

Parents, teachers, administrators, special education staff, occupational therapists, speech and language pathologists, physical therapists, counsellors, physicians, psychologists, psychiatrists, social workers and childcare providers. Child Development Webinars are designed to be *introductory* level for therapists, *intermediate* for teachers and *advanced* for parents, childcare workers and teaching assistants.

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