

## NCPEID APE Collaborative AY 2023-24

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### August 2023

#### **Title:** *Summer Camps for Youth with Disabilities*

**Speakers:** Lauren Lieberman, Amanda Young, Melissa Bittner, & Ally Keene

**Topic:** The August NCPEID APE Collaborative focused on summer camps for children with disabilities. Three summer camps are highlighted: Camp Webber (Ally Keene), Camp Abilities (Lauren Liberman), and Camp Nugget (Amanda Young). The speakers described how these experiences not only provide children with disabilities experiences with physical activity with their peers, but also serve as an experience for future professionals to put theory into practice and develop essential skills for working with children with disabilities. More specifically, in this episode they highlight the unique aspects of each camp, the counselor's and children's experiences, and the research around these camps.

**YouTube link:** [Summer Camps for Youth with Disabilities](#)

### September 2023

#### **Title:** *Parenting and Professionalism and Hot Topics in APE*

**Speakers:** Danielle Musser (Colorado Mesa), Chris Aherns (SDUSD), Amanda Young (CSULB)

**Topic:** The September NCPEID APE Collaborative delves into the intersection of parenting, professionalism, and current hot topics in Adapted Physical Education (APE). The speakers discuss strategies for engaging parents, maintaining professionalism in APE settings, and addressing trends shaping the field.

**YouTube link:** [Parenting and Professionalism and Hot Topics in APE](#)

### October 2023

#### **Title:** *What I Learned in My First Year Teaching*

**Speakers:** Laynie Case (CSU, Chico), Samantha Ross-Cypcar (West Virginia University), Ivan Reyes-Acosta (Los Angeles Unified School District), Elsie Gutierrez (Los Angeles Unified School District)

**Topic:** In this insightful panel discussion, the speakers delve into strategies for navigating tasks effectively, emphasizing patience, authenticity, and fostering connections. They underscore the joy of incorporating fun into APE teaching while addressing challenges like managing schedules and the invaluable role of mentorship. The discussion sheds light on the support systems offered by mentorship programs, particularly beneficial for first-year APE educators.

**YouTube link:** [What I Learned in My First Year Teaching](#)

### November 2023

#### **Title:** *Assistive Technology (Low and High Tech)*

**Speakers:** Leslie Kirui (Placentia/Yorba Linda Unified School District, California), Jeff Watkins (Longview School District, Maryland)

**Date:** November 15th, 2023

**Topic:** Assistive technology in APE, from low-tech to high-tech solutions, with our expert speakers sharing practical applications and benefits for students with disabilities.

**YouTube link:** [Assistive Technology \(Low and High Tech\)](#)

### **December 2023**

**Title:** *Paraprofessionals in APE*

**Speakers:** Wendy Arteaga, Ginny Reid (APE Teachers Orange County Department of Education), Janet Lee (Professor University of Wisconsin-Superior)

**Date:** December 12th, 2023

**Topic:** The vital role of paraprofessionals in supporting APE programs and enhancing the learning experience for students with disabilities.

**YouTube link:** [Paraprofessionals in APE](#)

### **January 2024**

**Title:** *Exemplary Master's Programs in APE*

**Speakers:** Melissa Bittner (CSULB), Ali Brian (University of South Carolina), Amanda Young (CSU Long Beach), Brock McCullen (University of Wisconsin-LaCrosse), Amaury Samalot-Rivera (SUNY-Brockport)

**Date:** January 15th, 2024

**Topic:** Exemplary Master's programs in Adapted Physical Education, featuring insights from program leaders and highlighting best practices in graduate education.

**YouTube link:** [Exemplary Master's Programs in APE](#)

### **February 2024**

**Title:** *APE Doctoral Programs*

**Speakers:** Andy Pitchford, Sam Logan, Andrea Taliaferro, Nicole Kirk, & Wes Wilson

**Date:** February 15th, 2024

**Topic:** Advanced studies in APE with a focus on doctoral programs, research opportunities, and the impact of doctoral education on the APE profession.

**YouTube link:** [APE Doctoral Programs](#)

### **March 2024**

**Title:** *Preschool Motor Team and Hot Topics Discussion in APE*

**Speakers:** Heidi Ambrosius, Emily Conciene, & Jennie Huh (Moreno Valley Unified School District)

**Topic:** The essential role of preschool motor teams and their perspectives in collaboration with adapted physical education teachers, physical therapists, and occupational therapists.

**YouTube link:** [Preschool Motor Team and Hot Topics Discussion in APE](#)

### **April 2024**

**Title:** *NCPEID APE Collaborative: Concerns and Considerations for the Field*

**Speakers:** Dale Ulrich, Barry Lavay, and Garth Tymeson

**Topic:** Concerns and considerations for the field of adapted physical activity/education.

**YouTube link:** [NCPEID APE Collaborative](#)

Title	Speakers	Date	Facebook Views	What's New in APE Podcast Views	YouTube Views
NCPEID APE Collaborative:  <b><i>Summer Camps for youth with disabilities</i></b>	Lauren Lieberman, Amanda Young, Melissa Bittner, & Ally Keene	August 28th 2023	91	408	14
NCPEID APE Collaborative  <b><i>Parenting and Professionalism and Hot Topics in APE</i></b>	Danielle Musser ( Colorado Mesa ) , Chris Aherns SDUSD)	September 2023	47	230	N/A
NCPEID APE Collaborative:  <b><i>What I learned in my first year teaching</i></b>	Laynie Case (CSU, Chico), Samantha Ross-Cypcar (West Virginia University), Ivan Reyes-Acosta (Los Angeles Unified School District), & Elsie Gutierrez (Los Angeles Unified School District)	October 13th 2023	137	373	24
NCPEID APE Collaborative:	Leslie Kirui from	November 2023	135	N/A	N/A

<p><b>Assistive Technology (Low and High Tech)</b></p>	<p>Placentia/Yorba Linda Unified School District, California and Jeff Watkins from Longview School District, Maryland</p>				
<p>NCPEID APE Collaborative</p> <p><b>Paraprofessionals in APE</b></p>	<p>Wendy Arteaga, Ginny Reid (APE Teachers Orange County Department of Education) Janet Lee( Professor University of Wisconsin-Superior)</p>	<p>December 2023</p>	<p>140</p>	<p>257</p>	<p>34</p>
<p>NCPEID APE Collaborative:</p> <p><b>Exemplary Master's Programs in APE</b></p>	<p>Melissa Bittner (CSULB) , Ali Brian (University of South Carolina), Amanda Young (CSU Long Beach), Brock McCullen (University of Wisconsin-LaCrosse), Amaury Samalot-</p>	<p>January 2024</p>	<p>128</p>	<p>295</p>	<p>34</p>

	Rivera (SUNY-Brockport)				
NCPEID APE Collaborative:  <b><i>Exemplary APE PhD Programs</i></b>	Drs. Andy Pitchford(Oregon State), Sam Logan(Oregon State), Andrea Taliaferro (U of Southern Carolina ) , Nicole Kirk, and Wes Wilson( U of Illinois )	February 2024	223	207	49
NCPEID APE Collaborative:  <b><i>Preschool motor team and hot topic discussion in APE!</i></b>	Heidi Ambrosius ( APES) Emily Concienne, (DPT) Jennie Huh( OT/L)	March 2024	148	TBD	52
NCPEID APE Collaborative: Concerns and Considerations for the Field	Dale Ulrich, Barry Lavay, and Garth Tymeson	April 2024	TBD	TBD	TBD
NCPEID APE Collaborative:  APE TOY		May 2024	TBD	TBD	TBD