

Fine Motor Boot Camp

Create powerful fine motor, spatial and language interventions using readily available household materials and the dynamics of play.

About this Course

Course Description

Our course will provide background on the importance of play, language and fine motor development in early childhood.

Building on the idea that children can learn, create and play with anything, we are empowering parents, therapists and educators to **“think outside the box”** and use **readily available household items as intervention materials.**

Each hands-on activity takes only 5-15 minutes to set up and complete.

Participants will learn how to differentiate activities to meet varying levels of cognitive, language and fine motor needs.

Be prepared to leave ready to ditch the electronics and inspired to create and play!

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Fee: \$345

- When: On Demand
- Time: 5 hours
- Where: On Demand
- Speaker: Julie Marzano, OTR/L Emily McCarthy, M.S., CCC-SLP
- Course Level: Introductory to Intermediate
- Target Audience: OTs, SLPs, COTAs, parents, behavioral therapists, educators, administrators and psychologists working with children

Meet the Presenter

Julie Marzano, OTR/L Emily; McCarthy, M.S., CCC-SLP

Twin sisters and the co-creators of Fine Motor Boot Camp, Julie Marzano and Emily McCarthy have a combined 25+ years of experience. Having worked in the school system and home settings, they share a passion for education and are committed to improving the adaptability and delivery of fine motor and language services across all demographics. Their goal is to make learning hands on, play-based and accessible to EVERY child at EVERY ability level.

Julie Marzano has been a licensed and nationally certified Occupational Therapist since 2002 and is the co-creator and owner of Fine Motor Boot Camp, LLC. Julie holds both a BS & MS in occupational therapy from Temple University with a focus in sensory integration (SIPT certified) and early intervention. She holds practicing licenses in Delaware, Pennsylvania and New Jersey. After spending 17 years in the Delaware public school system she now works at an approved private school in Pennsylvania for students with complex needs. With her identical twin sister, Julie runs several social media pages that promote child development and offer

practical activities and solutions to promote play, language, motor, cognitive, and social development for children.

Emily is a nationally certified and licensed, Speech-Language Pathologist in Pennsylvania. She graduated from Temple University in Philadelphia, PA where she received her Bachelor of Arts in Speech-Language-Hearing Sciences. After graduating, Emily received her Master of Science in Speech-Language Pathology from LaSalle University in Philadelphia, PA. In addition to holding her Certificate of Clinical Competence (CCC) in Speech-Language Pathology from The American-Speech-Language-Hearing Association, she also holds an Instructional Level II Teaching certificate in Speech & Language Impaired K-12 through the PA department of education. Emily was employed by the public school system for 12 years and is now working in early intervention with the birth – three population.

Julie Marzano and Emily McCarthy receive a speaking fee for their presentation and are the owners of the Fine Motor Boot Camp. They have no relevant non-financial relationships to disclose.

Learning Objectives

- Explore components of play-based learning, fine motor, visual-spatial, visual-motor, and language skills in early childhood.
- Demonstrate “tips & tricks” for sneaking fine motor and language practice into simple routines & activities.
- Demonstrate learning activities using simple household materials.
- Explain how to differentiate (upgrade & downgrade) activities to meet individual needs.

Educational Credits

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Approved for 5 CTLE contact hours.

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Time Ordered Agenda

Types of play and examples	45 Minutes
Break	15 Minutes
What really is “fine motor”? (visual perception/spatial/motor skills) & Strategies	45 Minutes
Expressive/Receptive Language Examples and Strategies	30 Minutes
Hands on Activities and Solutions Using Dollar Store Materials (Part 1)	60 Minutes
Hands on Activities and Solutions Using Dollar Store Materials (Part 2)	30 Minutes
Break	15 Minutes
Dollar Store “HACKS” and a few of our favorite things (Part 1)	45 Minutes
Dollar Store “HACKS” and a few of our favorite things (Part 2)	45 Minutes

