NAASLN’s Roots

Through the vision of William Langner and Boris Bogatz, NAASLN was created at the First National Congress for Adults with Special Learning Needs, held at Gallaudet University, Washington, DC, in October 1987. This event was co-sponsored by the American Association for Adult and Continuing Education and Gallaudet University.

The First National Congress developed the Gallaudet Declaration which serves as the foundation for the National Association for Adults with Special Learning Needs — NAASLN.

NAASLN continues to serve a necessary and unique function. It is the only association in the United States whose mission is to help adults with special learning needs become lifelong learners by building coalitions and partnerships with providers of adult education, human services, employment services, employers and advocates.

NAASLN’s Events

Check the NAASLN website for a calendar of upcoming events focusing on Special Learning Needs, including NAASLN Road Trip Tracks at national and regional conferences. NAASLN’s events provide members with opportunities to network with national leaders and other passionate professionals and prepare participants to return home ready to explore service improvements.
NAASLN is an association for those who serve adults with special learning needs. NAASLN members include educators, trainers, employers and human service providers. NAASLN’s Goal is to ensure that adults with specific learning needs have the opportunities necessary to become successful lifelong learners.

In order to reach this goal, NAASLN . . .

- Advocates for adults with special learning needs in national policy, legislation, and funding.
- Provides professional development and technical assistance.
- Disseminates relevant information and research.
- Increases awareness of the holistic nature and best practices for serving adults with special learning needs.
- Promotes best practices for effective services.
- Vows that adults with special learning needs will participate at all levels of NAASLN and in all NAASLN initiatives.
- Nonviolently challenges existing barriers to access, quality, and outcomes for adults with specific learning needs.
- Promotes self-sufficiency and self-advocacy.
- Values diversity in culture and abilities.
- Targets learner strengths and advocates for holistic services.

NAASLN’s Vision, Goal and Guiding Principles

Please visit NAASLN’s Website at www.NAASLN.org

For more information & updates on NAASLN membership, committees, partners, upcoming events, hands-on training programs, and more, call 1-888-5NAASLN (888-562-2756) or visit our website at www.NAASLN.org

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- International Networking Opportunities
- FYI Bulletins on National Issues and Trends in Adult Education
- Links to Resources (People and Products) for Adults with Special Learning Needs
- Professional Development and Leadership Opportunities
- Discounts on Registration Fees for NAASLN Conferences and Webinars

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Join today to become a member of NAASLN!

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