Teaching Together Chicago

Expanding Employment Opportunities for People with Disabilities in Catholic Schools

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Session Objectives:

Participants will:

1) Understand the mission/purpose/program structure of Teaching Together Chicago
2) Understand the resources available to support schools/interns
3) Start an assessment of their desire/readiness for participation in a Teaching Together Chicago
4) Identify questions, obstacles, opportunities in their own schools
5) Learn about programs and services provided by :
   a. Center For Independence
   b. Helping Hand Center
   c. El Valor
6) Know who/how to contact to ask questions and to be considered as a future partner

Mission of Teaching Together Chicago
To expand the employment opportunities for adults with disabilities in Catholic Schools where their presence is largely absent and their skills are needed.