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**Cindy Schneider** earned a B.S. in Education from West Chester State University and is dually certified in Elementary and Special Education K-12. She has done extensive graduate work at institutions including Temple University and Penn State University, earning a Communication Specialist certification from Temple and an Autism Specialist Certification from Penn State University. Currently she is enrolled in the Masters in Educational Leadership at Immaculata University. A Special Education teacher of 20 years, she has then spent the last 5 years as an Autism Consultant, focused on doing research, teaching professionals, and supporting teachers in implementing appropriate strategies for students diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorders throughout Chester County, Pennsylvania. She has also spoken at the “Pennsylvania Council for Exceptional Children” conference, and has done private consultative work in Delaware, New Jersey and Maryland.

Additionally, Cindy has acted and directed in community theatre for 25 years. Having directed a children’s theatre program for 20 years, Cindy began a theatre program called ACTING ANTICS for students diagnosed with HFA and Asperger Syndrome. Cindy has run theatre workshops for this population in Delaware, Chester, Berks and Montgomery counties in Pennsylvania. She also directed a theatre program for the Children’s Institute at the National Autism Conference at Penn State University during the past two summers.

She has been invited to be a speaker at the national conference at Penn State University in the summer of 2006.