



Anderson
Center
for
Autism

LifeLong LearningSM



Anderson Center for Autism (ACA) is a person-centered not for profit organization that fosters independence and self-advocacy for children and adults with autism. We are committed to providing **quality** programs to individuals and an ongoing integrated support network for their families and guardians, while partnering with community stakeholders. ACA provides an enriched and **positive** environment designed to promote growth, independence, and social interaction while providing opportunities that enable individuals to make informed choices. ACA's core philosophy is that all people deserve to live a life of quality. ACA has the **expertise**, resources and technology to enable the agency to **optimize** the quality of life for all people with autism, around the world.

Anderson's Mission: Optimizing the Quality of Life for Individuals with Autism



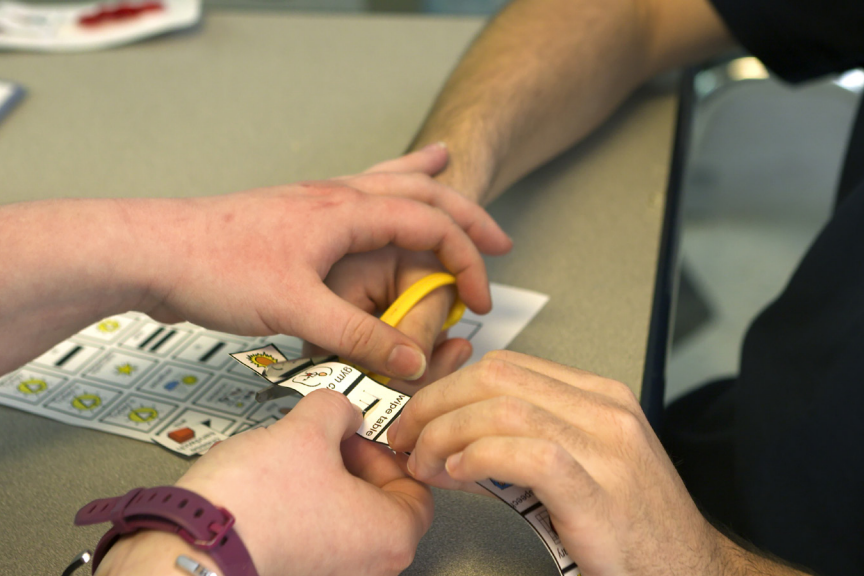
On a wooded estate overlooking the Hudson River, Dr. Victor V. Anderson founded Anderson School in 1924. He believed that children with special needs would benefit from an integrated program that comprehensively addressed their educational, emotional, and social needs. He began with one student. A century later, Anderson Center for Autism continues Dr. Anderson's work, currently serving hundreds of children and adults with a primary diagnosis of autism. As a scroll found in a time capsule from the class of 1934 stated, "This is the firm rock on which we stand. All others are but shifting

sand." At ACA, our evidence-based methods derived from the principles of Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) demonstrate realistic, steady progress and consistently make a difference in the lives of the individuals and families we serve. We understand that autism dramatically affects the lives of all who face it. For families, the autism community and public organizations, ACA is uniquely qualified to serve as a valuable, compassionate resource by providing education, support and outreach services, and information aimed at delivering assistance and increasing overall autism acceptance.



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We are so happy with the progress he is making at Anderson. It's so amazing to me that you have been able to get him to participate and utilize equipment in the short time that he has been there. We are so grateful for the amazing care/therapy you are providing him.





Anderson was not around the corner, it is 150 miles away from us. But, once we came here, we knew it was home for him.



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