

TESTIMONIALS

"My husband and I were talking about the impressive changes we have seen in Kyle over the past months. He is more verbal (speech therapy and reading support has helped). He's more interested in having friends. His anxiety level is down. He falls asleep most nights without lying awake. He is more appropriate in his interactions. He starts conversations, asks good questions, and seems to be overall much more happy. We attribute much of this to Simply Social. We practice what the "coaches" go over in the sessions with both of our kids. The recommended videos and exercises have been a welcome addition to our home and family. Thank you to you and your team." - PG

"As a therapist and parent I love the work that you do!!!" -E.C.

I have a 10 year old boy who has been diagnosed with mild autism (ASD). He struggles most with social interactions, the "give and take" of conversations, how to show interest in others' conversation, and how to appropriately join a dialogue. We have a full fall scheduled but this summer we attended a weekly class at Simply Social Kids. I am so glad we did!

The instructor was wonderful! We spoke on the phone and over email and she was very receptive to keeping me updated on the week's activities. I learned behavior cues, to help my son stop and pause to allow other to speak. My son really enjoyed the activities, which to him were just play, while important social practice was embedded creatively by his instructor. I wish we were able to continue in the fall, but hopefully we can revisit in the spring. The director is committed to keeping her staff trained, comes with a great resume herself, and was extremely helpful. It is obvious these instructors have a passion for helping children be their best selves.

Thank you Simply Social Kids for providing a safe and natural learning environment for my son to relax and be himself, learn about others and grow socially, without the critical eye of the world around him. I cannot thank you enough! - ST

We are so glad that we discovered your program this year and got to meet all of you in the process! Ben enjoyed his time in group each week. More importantly, we felt that the targeted social instruction was invaluable to him. Though he'll be taking the summer off, we anticipate returning to the program in the future as he grows and the social dynamics around him mature accordingly. - SB

"I just wanted to take a moment to say thank you all for a wonderful year at the Simply Social Kids group. My son learned a lot, made some wonderful friends and had an overall wonderful time!" - TM

"Dear Nadine and Simply Social staff, Thank you for having such a great service for families and kids who desperately need it. B grew so much due to your weekly groups, meetings, seminars and you were all so generous and kind to him. He now gets all A's in school, works out a Best Fitness every day after school by himself. You gave him the courage and confidence he so desperately needed and wanted. I still do and will continue to advocate for Simply Social on a daily basis." Your friend, BC

"I still remember Kevin's first day here like it was yesterday. As Joshua and I walked Kevin to the car he said, 'I had SO much fun Mom, those kids are just like me.' This ran chills down my back and brought tears to my eyes. The feelings of being an outsider live within all of us, especially when we're young, but Kevin seemed to connect with so few of his peers at school, that having a room full of those that felt 'just like him' was more than comforting. Thank you so much for all you have done, and what you continue to do, not just for my son, but for all the children who attend your center. It really is a life-changer." - KB

"When I come here, it's not just to see my friends, these guys are like my family." - K, age 11

"Simply Social Kids is one of the best things I have ever done for my kids. My son looks forward to "group" every week where he has made great new friends who understand him and accept him and who encourage him. Under the guidance of Nadine, the kids all help each other learn to read social cues and make good social choices, as well as things like how to handle anxiety and stress. These kids "get" each other. I have watched my son blossom socially over the last couple of months and being a part of this has helped him in the process of learning to truly like himself. It has helped him see how amazing he really is and nothing is more valuable than that." - JW

"The best part of my week? Right now. Being here." – CG age 12

"I am so grateful to have you in my life." LY age 14

"Love simply social, my son has been going for about two months now and has already made improvements in his social skills. Director is amazing and really takes the time to understand each child and their specific needs!" – CL

"Nadine, we are completely amazed by how much Kylie has grown over the last few months, and we have to give you credit. The group environment has changed her from the little, soft spoken girl to a confident and proud little girl! I wish I had taken a video of her presenting to show you, but we really capitalized on her strengths (as you pointed out one day) and her whole demeanor has changed. Thank you so much for your program and your guidance on the little things!" -JB

"Carol always enjoys spending time in your groups. She feels very safe at SSK. Calming and coping has been particularly beneficial. We are always looking for new ways to help ease the anxieties felt in everyday life. After the session on meditating she felt so much better. The next day I saw her actually applying what she learned. It's been great for me, too!" -CW

"Sharing another nice breakthrough due to your groups. Cam started a conversation with the kid that's been making fun of him (and has punched him a few times) at school. Today, the classmate sneezed. So, Cam (who's suffering allergies this year) said "bless you" then asked the boy if he has allergies. The boy said yes, then Cam said "Me too. Tell me about your allergies? Do you have hay fever?" Then later, "How does it make you feel". It seemed they then reveled in the grossness of their sneezes. After your sessions, we've been practicing scenarios showing that having a conversation with the boy may diffuse the boy's perceived power. I'm so proud that Cam saw the opportunity and ran with it (yup, a nose joke there, ...really). Thank you again for what you do! These small successes are making a big difference in Cam's confidence, building his toolbox, and oh boy, the happiness was visible today!." -PG

"Bobby loves going to group. He looks forward to it every week. He loves listening and participating in new, helpful coping strategies every week. Bobby the fact that he meets up with different friends from each group. Bobby continues to love going to simply social kids every week and lets us know all the time how much he likes the staff, kids and volunteers. Bobby also enjoys Skype chatting at least once a week with various friends from group. The conversation can sometimes last a couple of hours. Thanks again Nadine for the ultimate gift." -BC

"I appreciate all your help. You are truly a gem and I'm so very glad we have you in our lives." -HW

"Wow. In one sentence you changed everything. 'Even if you could make everything better, that wouldn't prepare Hector for the real world...' I am going to recite that to myself every day. You are more than correct. And it applies to SO many things. Thank you." TL

"We would like to take a moment and thank the staff at Simply Social Kids. For all of their hard work and dedication and the development of the programs that make such a difference. Our daughter enjoys going to group so much it has truly helped her with her social skills in a comfortable atmosphere that is fun, judgment free, friendly and comfortable. She absolutely loves it. Thank you for making a difference in our child's life."

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