ASD Nest Support Project
Pre-service Training Options

Pre-service training is available for all classroom teachers, related service providers, and school administrators working directly with ASD Nest students in every ASD Nest school. Staff is expected to complete pre-service training prior to beginning their work in the ASD Nest program, either at Hunter College or through NYU.

The following guidelines apply to all staff taking training, whether at Hunter or NYU:

- ***Pre = before***: Staff should take training before beginning their work in Nest.

- ***Autism first***: Staff must take the autism basics course before the behavior course. (The exception is if both courses are taken simultaneously, only possible at Hunter in July.)

- ***Boot Camp is a start, but doesn't cut it***: If not taking Hunter training before beginning teaching in Nest, staff must take the two-day Boot Camp training in August. Boot Camp does not replace the full pre-service training, and staff must then complete the full training through Hunter and/or NYU.

- ***Mix & match***: Staff can can take a combination of Hunter and NYU trainings.

Below are the differences between Hunter College and NYU pre-service training:

	Hunter College	NYU
Timeframe	Summer: • June or July sessions • Three times a week across four weeks	School Year: • Fall or spring semesters • One session per week across 12 weeks
Benefit for Successful Completion	Credits: • 3 graduate credits for each of two available courses	CTLE Hours: • 36 CTLE hours • Non-credit transcript from NYU
Platform	In-person & Online Options: • In-person: 3-hour class sessions • Online: 3-hour synchronous sessions (*must attend first and last class sessions in person*)	Online Only: • 1 hour of synchronous online instruction and 2 hours of asynchronous online work per week (*must attend first session in person*)
Registration Process	1. Principals submit Summary Table with staff names and contact information 2. Hunter contacts staff and staff members register for non-matriculated admission (need undergraduate transcript and immunization form)	1. Staff submits Google Form 2. NYU enrolls staff members as guest students to access course content using individual "NetID"