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ALPINE LEARNING GROUP
Meeting the Challenge



For children with autism...



Your help can open a world of possibilities.

What happens to a family when their child is diagnosed with autism?

The world doesn't actually stop spinning...but it certainly feels like it does. The sun still comes up every day, but it rises over a different landscape. And while life does go on, the hopes and dreams parents have for their child hang in the balance, shadowed by new fears and anxieties.

When a child is diagnosed with autism, the New Jersey prevalence rate – 1 in 94 children – stops being just a statistic for the family, who will confront the significance of those odds every day. And that's not all. They will also face the dizzying task of deciding who to turn to for help and information and whose voice to trust.

At Alpine Learning Group, our Outreach Program provides a "port in a storm" for parents of newly-diagnosed children. Families receive reliable information, indispensable training, and the ongoing support of a team of autism professionals who know not only how a diagnosis changes a family's world, but how a family can beat the odds in building a new future for their child.

In the fifteen years the Outreach Program has been providing services, we have helped hundreds of families find their way through a maze of treatments, and, from confusion and discouragement, to hope for what lies ahead.

Your past support of the Outreach Program has made it possible for us to expand Outreach services to include Social Skill Classes, Parent Training & Education, and hundreds of hours of free seminars and workshops for parents and caregivers. By allowing the Outreach Program to bring more and more children the critical early treatment they need and deserve, your support has enriched countless lives, perhaps forever.

For that reason, when families gather together this Holiday Season and count their joys, we will count you among ours. Your support for Alpine Learning Group means that families will be able to give their child the tools and guidance they need to succeed. There can be no greater gift.

Best wishes for a wonderful holiday season, and our heartfelt thanks for your continued support.

*The right start
can make all the difference*



For our family, Alpine Learning Group was the guiding light we needed when Theo was diagnosed with autism at the age of two. We remember that day all too clearly. Our world literally fell apart, or so we thought. The word "autism" was something that you heard about happening to others, not to our family. Now we were one of those families.

So we read everything we could about the condition. It was overwhelming and all-consuming knowing that Theo did not have time on his side. When we were offered a place in Alpine's Outreach Program, it felt like a great weight had been lifted from our shoulders and that we finally had a chance to turn the tides.

Outreach has been our savior. Now five years old, Theo is mainstreamed at school and improving daily thanks to the dedication of his team. He is our little miracle who still delves into the darkest abyss some days only to reemerge later shining like a star. It's still not easy when those dark moments occur, but they have become less frequent and, day by day, gets better. We get better. With the help of Alpine's Outreach Program we know that Theo's future has been rewritten.

We wanted to tell our story because we see too many children and families not get the right guidance, services and therapy. It is shocking given these children are our future. Please give today and help Alpine Learning Group provide the services needed for so many bright future stars.

The Safocleous Family