

Reflection and Prospective of Cana

Guangzhou Cana School (Guangzhou Rehabilitation & Research Center for Children with ASD) was founded by Dr.Fan in 2005; it was the 1st public special school for children with autism in China mainland. For about 11 years, Cana has devoted on autism rehabilitation, education and researches. Accompanied by controversy and high popularity, Cana has become the model program of rehabilitation & education for children with autism, training and internship base for professionals from all over of China, as well as research base for autism related projects.

As the 1st school of such, Cana has combined latest practices and experiences from developed countries and regions, with its own resources and situation, and formed its own model, which is characterized by multidisciplinary team, high staff-students ratio, functional & individualized curriculums, comprehensive interventional approaches, flexible teaching methods, scientific research support .Cana has also been authorized by Guangzhou Education Bureau to instruct inclusive programs for children with autism integrating into regular classrooms.

However, we are still faced with great challenges, such as mental health and sex education of adolescents; vocational training that fit their strength, career plan for high functioning students with particular interests and talents. Luckily there are expert teams from different universities and hospitals cooperating with us to find solutions for all these challenges.