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**Title: 15** Practice Effective Communication Skills with Mursion

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**Focus Area:** Parental Involvement / Conferencing

**Other Area:**

**Audience:** All

**Abstract:** This session will give teachers an opportunity to interact with an adult avatar to develop the diplomatic skills needed to adeptly handle the myriad of parent-teacher, specialist coach-teacher or administrator-teacher interactions they will encounter throughout their careers. Through practice in this session, participants have the chance to build the confidence and knowledge to become our new leaders in education.

**Presentation Addresses the Following Categories of Instructional Strategies that Affect Student Achievement**

*Identifying similarities and differences*

*Cooperative learning*

*Summarizing and note taking*

*Homework and practice*

*Questions, cues, and advance organizers*

*Nonlinguistic representations*

*Setting objectives and providing feedback*

*Generating and testing hypotheses*

*Reinforcing effort and providing recognition*

Yes *Other*