

## Thank you for wanting to support and participate in our research!

This study seeks to learn how we can help paraeducators better support autistic children who exhibit challenging behaviors and may benefit from behavior support in the classroom.

This study evaluates two interventions. RUBIES, a new intervention, teaches paraeducators how to use evidence-based behavior strategies to better support their autistic students in the classroom and to respond more effectively when behavior issues occur. Psychoeducation in Autism combines evidence-based approaches to support autistic children in school. Our research team will be training paraeducators to use RUBIES or Psychoeducation in Autism at your child's school.

<b>What will the SPACE! Study look like at my child's school?</b>	<b>How will my child's school be supported?</b>	<b>What will be asked of me as a caregiver/parent?</b>
Your child will go through their regular school day. Your child's paraeducator, who will be training in RUBIES or Psychoeducation in Autism, will provide behavioral support for your child in the classroom based on our training materials for the duration of the study (about 6 to 8 months).	Your child's paraeducator will receive certification hours for learning about a range of topics to support autistic student in schools. Schools will also receive visual support kits that can aid how they support students.	You will be asked to fill out 15-20 minute questionnaires about your child at 3 timepoints (about every 3 months). You will receive \$20 via ClinCard after each completion for up to \$60. These will be shared with you via email.

If your child has autism, goes to a public elementary school (grades K to 5), has a paraeducator, and is included in a general education setting for at least 4 hours a week, you may be eligible for this study! You can fill out our screener at [tinyurl.com/UWSPACEStudyCaregivers](https://tinyurl.com/UWSPACEStudyCaregivers) or email us at [rubies@uw.edu](mailto:rubies@uw.edu) for more information. You can also check out an informational video here!

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