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*The source for products designed to enhance the lives of children
and adults with autism and related developmental disabilities*

Pyramid Educational Consultants of Canada, Inc.

Pyramid Educational Consultants, Inc. was established in 1992 by Andrew Bondy, Ph.D., and Lori Frost, MS, CCC/SLP. They, and the entire staff of Pyramid, offer consultative services in home settings as well as public and private schools that combine the broad spectrum of applied behaviour analysis and a unique approach to functional communication. Pyramid is well known for providing highly successful training programs and staff development within 8 countries, including Canada.

Pyramid Educational Consultants of Canada, Inc. offers a wide range of services provided by a number of talented professionals who are highly trained in the fields of psychology, applied behaviour analysis, special education, and speech/language pathology. Pyramid is the source for:

- The Picture Exchange Communication System (PECS) – the dynamic alternative/augmentative system that focuses on initiation of communication rather than teacher controlled responses.
- The Pyramid Approach to Education – a step-by-step approach to developing environments that blend motivational systems with functional activities and creative communication strategies.
- Staff development, program design and family training.
- Picture Exchange Communication System (PECS) Products – products that enable students to continue communication through-out their lives.



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Bring one or more of our dynamic training workshops to your community, organization, or school. Training Workshops may be combined with consultation.

- PECS Overview
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Four Ways to Order!

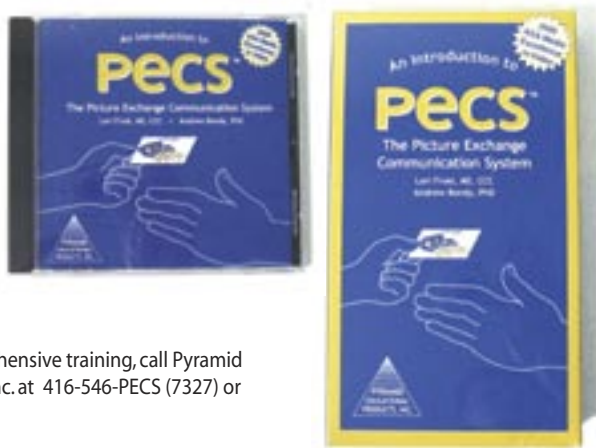
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An Introduction to PECS Video/DVD

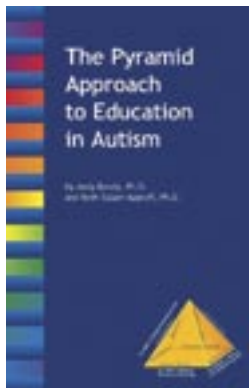
This 26-minute video provides an overview of the benefits of using PECS. It portrays examples of each training phase within PECS in school, home, and community settings with a variety of communicative partners. The award-winning video is an introduction to PECS and is not a training video. Please refer to the *PECS Training Manual* on page 5 for a more extensive training resource. For information on comprehensive training, call Pyramid Educational Consultants of Canada, Inc. at 416-546-PECS (7327) or visit www.pecs-canada.com.



An Introduction to PECS Video **VID \$59**

An Introduction to PECS DVD **DVD \$69**

The Pyramid Approach to Education In Autism



The Pyramid Approach to Education in Autism

by Andy Bondy, Ph.D. and Beth Sulzer-Azaroff, Ph.D., 2002, 236 pages.

The Pyramid Approach to Education in Autism presents Bondy's integrative approach to teaching people across the autism spectrum, and within any learning environment. The authors combine their acumen and experience in this edition to further clarify and refine for readers a wide array of strategies necessary to create effective lessons. This book is designed to guide teachers, other professionals, and parents toward asking the right questions and designing constructive answers as they develop powerful home, school and community-based educational programs. The Pyramid Approach allows readers previously frustrated by marginal student learning how to find answers to many of their questions. It straightforwardly recommends how and where to begin to teach and methods for following through for greater success and instructional satisfaction.

The Pyramid Approach to Education in Autism **PAE \$45**

PECS Training Manual

The Picture Exchange Communication System Training Manual, 2nd Edition

by Lori Frost, M.S., CCC/SLP and Andy Bondy, Ph.D., 2002, 396 pages

The 2nd edition of this very popular Training Manual provides comprehensive instruction in implementing the Picture Exchange Communication System. Developed by Lori Frost and Andy Bondy, the goal of PECS is to provide children and adults with an effective and functional method of communication. The Training Manual begins with a description of the Pyramid Approach to Education, which is the foundation for creating all PECS lessons. A detailed chapter on functional communication follows. Each of the 6 training phases is described according to rationale, training steps, frequently asked questions, helpful hints and sample data sheets. Extensive indices provide reproducible evaluation forms, data sheets, reinforcer worksheets, and communication programming worksheets.

Now includes PECS Data Forms CD.

The PECS Training Manual: **PTM \$75**

(Available in both English and French.)



Now Available, a CD to accompany the PECS Training Manual!

This CD contains all of the data forms, checklists, and worksheets in the PECS Training Manual, plus dozens more in Word® or PDF format!

PECS Data Forms CD: **PECSCD \$20**

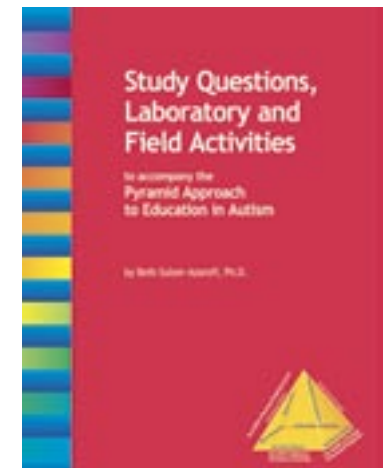
Study Questions **NEW!**

Study Questions, Laboratory, and Field Activities

by Beth Sulzer-Azaroff, Ph.D., Richard K. Fleming, Ph.D. and Sonia Mashikian, M.A., 2003, 144 pages.

Study Questions, Laboratory and Field Activities to Accompany the Pyramid Approach to Education in Autism provides a wide array of "study questions" keyed to every key concept in the Pyramid volume. Newcomers to the approach will learn to perform the skills proficiently by participating in carefully designed and tested simulations under "laboratory" conditions, under guidance, within actual field settings. Read; study; learn; practice; succeed.

Study Questions, Laboratory and Field Activities **SQL \$17**



Empower! Book and CD

EMPOWER! Book and CD by Beth A. Soeder, M.A., SLP-CCC and Catharine M. Critz, Ph.D., CPNP, 2003, 166 pages.

EMPOWER! is the book every education professional needs to work effectively with children on the autism spectrum or with limited communication skills in the classroom environment. It provides the tools to quickly and efficiently transform the classroom into a total communication environment. The book and CD contain pre-made classroom labels, picture boards, schedule boards, picture symbol placemats, circle time enhancements, lesson theme boards and carry over lessons for use at home with parents. The need for additional "prep work" has been completely removed as this effective resource contains simple

directions and modifications for all learner levels, along with resources in PDF format for ease of printing!



Empower! Book and CD
EMP \$54



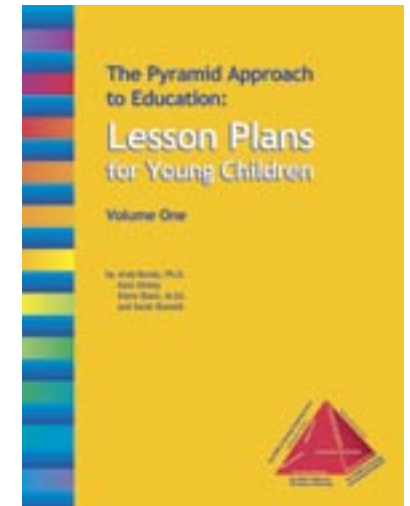
Lesson Plans

Lesson Plans for Young Children

by Andy Bondy, Ph.D., Kate Dickey, Diane Black, M.Ed., and Sarah Buswell, 2002, 127 pages.

This manual is the perfect resource for any individual who instructs young children. It contains 100 ready-to-use lesson plans to teach students skills in the following life areas: school-based, communication, self-help, social, domestic, recreation/leisure, and community based skills. This manual also assists teachers in writing additional lesson plans within the Pyramid Approach to Education framework by providing detailed explanations and examples. Each lesson was developed by teachers and specialists.

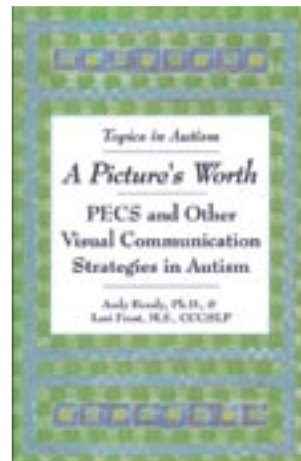
Lesson Plans for Young Children **LPY \$35**



A Picture's Worth **NEW!**

A Picture's Worth: PECS and Other Visual Communication Strategies in Autism by Andy Bondy, Ph.D., and Lori Frost, M.S., CCC/SLP, 2002, 150 pages, 25 photos.

Written by our very own Andy Bondy and Lori Frost, this book examines the value of nonverbal communication strategies for children with autism, and describes the Picture Exchange Communication System (PECS). After a thorough review of verbal communication development, *A Picture's Worth* explains how autism affects the acquisition and progression of those skills. Without the ability to express themselves, children with autism experience a high level of frustration, which is the root cause of many undesirable behaviors. The book explores the relationship between behavior and communication, teaching parents how to recognize patterns in their own child's behavior and when to begin a visual communication program such as PECS. Bondy and Frost describe the six phases of training in PECS and provide many real-life case studies, along with a complete series of lessons, from beginner to more advanced PECS techniques.



A Picture's Worth: PECS and Other Visual Communication Strategies in Autism **APW \$16.95**

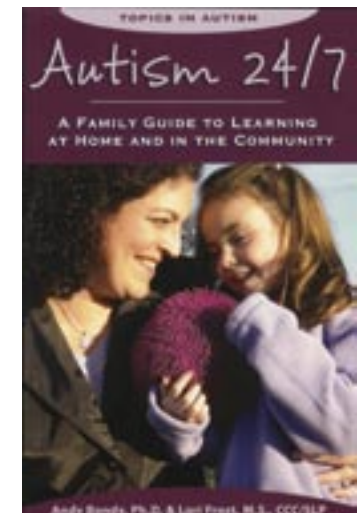
Autism 24/7 **NEW!**

Autism 24/7

by Andy Bondy, Ph.D. and Lori Frost, M.S., CCC/SLP, 2008, 169 pages.

If your son or daughter is over-stimulated by noisy places or has trouble communicating or interacting with people, then everyday activities like going to the playground or helping out with household chores may seem outside your child's repertoire. Authors Bondy and Frost, the founders of the award-winning Pyramid Approach to educating children with autism, show how it is possible to keep family life running smoothly and teach a child with autism to participate in important and routine family activities at home and in the neighborhood. And their teaching strategies can be used during the course of everyday life without making too many adjustments or converting your home into a school.

In a reassuring, easy-to-read style, *Autism 24/7* encourages parents to pinpoint times when their child's behavior or lack of skills seems to interfere with family functioning. This step helps identify what to teach your child and what goals to set.



Autism 24/7
A247 \$19.95

PECS Communication Books

These picture-ready PECS Communication Books, extra pages, and Sentence Strips are made of thick, durable polyvinyl. Hook Velcro® strips are included for self assembly so you can customize your books. Custom books with loop velcro® available upon request - please call.

Communication Book colours: 



The Large PECS Communication Book is a 25 x 23cm 3-ring binder and is great as a first book for new PECS users. Large book includes two large Insert Pages and one large Sentence Strip. Features spine-attached rings. Simply attach one of our Book Straps, and the book becomes portable.

▶ Large PECS Communication Book (25 x 23cm): **LCB \$45**

The Small PECS Communication Book is 19 x 15cm and perfect for students who use 1" x 1" pictures to communicate or who have a smaller vocabulary of large pictures. Features spine-attached rings. Comes with two Small Insert Pages, hook Velcro® strips and a Small Sentence Strip™. Simply attach one of our Book Straps, and the book becomes portable! Custom books with loop Velcro® strips are available upon request. Pictures not included.



Small PECS Communication Book (19 x 15cm): **SCB \$39** ▶



The Mini PECS Communication Book is 10 x 13cm and is perfect for carrying in a pocket book, waist pack or your back pocket. Each book fastens closed securely and comes with three mini Insert Pages, a mini Sentence Strip and hook Velcoins®.

▶ Mini PECS Communication Book (10 x 13cm): **MCB \$35**

Extra Insert Page:

Large (22 x 16.5cm): **LIPG \$7** | Small (16.5 x 9cm): **SIPG \$5** | Mini (11.5 x 7.5cm): **MIPG \$4**

Extra Sentence Strip:

Large (20 x 5cm): **LSEN \$5** | Small (15 x 2.5cm): **SSEN \$4** | Mini Book (11.5 x 2.5cm): **MSEN \$3**

Book Strap also available: The 2cm wide book strap provides a handle for the book so that it can be hung on a hook or on the back of a chair, or can be carried over the shoulder.

Communication Book Strap **STR \$10** ▶



Book Strap colours: 

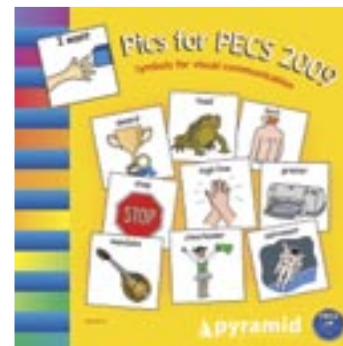
PECS 151™

This set is a collection of the pictures most commonly used by young children who communicate with PECS. We compiled this list over several years by tracking the picture vocabulary development of hundreds of children. Our generic, nonspecific pictures are perfect for combining with attributes for precise requests or comments. The full colour drawings are explicit, yet versatile, and include Sentence Starter icons and beginning attribute icons. To save you valuable time, the pictures come printed on rigid paper and are laminated! We'll also include Velcoins® (loop). Available in sets of 2.5cm pictures or 4cm pictures. Please call 416-546-PECS to inquire about the French version.



PECS 151, Set of 4 x 4cm Pictures **L151 \$49**

Pics for PECS® 2009 **NEW!**



Once again we've added over 200 new symbols so our 2009 Pics for PECS® CD now contains over 2,000 symbols! We've expanded the range of pictures so students from all over the world can communicate more effectively. New images include kimono, mandolin, dragonfly, worried, tabouli and quesadilla. We include a comprehensive picture dictionary of every symbol on the CD and grids for using pictures in Microsoft Word® format. Call to ask about Pics for PECS® in Spanish, Japanese, Greek and French.

Pics for PECS® 2009 **CD9 \$60**

Velcro®

Still a great price on Velcro®! 3/8" white, self-adhesive Velcro® is now available for purchase by the metre. Specify hook (the rough side) or loop (the soft side). Available in quantities as small as 1 metre and as large as you need!

Velcro® (hook OR loop) **VEL \$2.50/metre**

PECS Starter Kit 1



Includes PECS Manual, Large Communication Book, PECS Video (available on DVD or VHS) and two sheets of the most popular PECS pictures. (Specific picture choices are not available.) See individual descriptions on pages 4, 5, and 8.

PECS Starter Kit 1 with DVD
PSKDVD \$150

PECS Starter Kit 1 with VHS
PSKVHS \$150

PECS Starter Kit 2 **NEW!**

Are you new to PECS? We've assembled this Starter Kit to include everything you need to begin PECS including the PECS Training Manual 2nd Edition (see page 5) with PECS Data Forms CD, a Large Communication Book (see page 8), and the current Pics for PECS® CD (see page 9).



PECS Starter Kit 2
PSK2 \$150

Activity Board

These versatile, durable polyvinyl sheets are perfect for structured attribute or commenting lessons. In both the home and classroom, they can be posted in a variety of locations as choice boards or topic boards for all those incidental opportunities for requesting and commenting that arise during the day. The 22 x 28cm board with hook Velcro® on one side includes a Sentence Strip. Each is 3-hole punched for storing in the Activity Binder (see below). Comes with one large sentence strip. (Pictures not included.)



Activity Board **ACB \$13**

Activity board colours:



Activity Binder

To keep you organized, this 28 x 29cm binder will house all of your activity boards. When you begin one of the lessons, open the binder to an easel on your table top so that your student has easy access to the pictures and you have easy access to a variety of pages. Available in a variety of colours of 90-gauge poly. **Now includes two activity boards with Velcro® and one large Sentence Strip!** (Pictures not included.)



Activity Binder **BIN \$54**

Extra Activity Board (see above) **ACB \$13**

Binder colours:



Schedule Board Kit

Add pictures, and our popular, easy-to-use Schedule Board Kit has everything you'll need to create a student schedule. The 102 x 15cm very durable board has a Velcro® strip running down the entire length of the middle, a "Current Activity" section at the top, and a roomy "finished" box at the bottom. We include two plastic cards that correspond to two 22 x 28cm colour-coded Choice Boards. The kit includes detailed directions on the Pyramid Approach to teaching picture-based direction following and using a schedule. Choice Boards and cards may vary in colour. (Pictures not included.)

Schedule Board Kit **SBK \$54**

colours: 



Mini Schedule *New & improved for 2009!*

We've updated the Mini Schedule! It's 15 x 4 inches when open, has a precise fold and an upgraded "finished" pocket. This portable schedule can be carried from activity to activity or hung vertically or horizontally. Hook Velcro® for the pictures is included and Hook and Loop Velcoins® are included for securely latching the schedule closed. (Pictures not included)

Mini Schedule **MSB \$21**



colours: 

Schedule Pictures



This set includes 72 icons depicting everyday school, home, and community activities. The pictures are 6 x 6cm and include two "choice" icons. The symbols are perfect for use with our durable, mountable schedule boards. Includes half-inch loop Velcoins®. All of our pictures are printed in full colour on heavy stock paper. We laminate them with 5 ml film for added durability and include loop Velcoins® for each picture.

Schedule Pictures **SBP \$35**

Compact/Traveling Schedule Board

The Compact/Traveling Schedule Board is the perfect size for use in schools, home or the community. The Schedule Board may be used to support students during transitions from class to class or activity to activity in a school or centre, or used in the home environment when moving from room to room, or outside to inside. The discreet size of the schedule also makes it the perfect tool for adolescents and adults when working on the job or travelling in the community. Folds to a compact 8 x 8 x 1 cm. Includes half-inch hook Velcoins®. (Pictures not included.)

Compact/Traveling Schedule Board **JSB \$15**



Complete Visual Reinforcement System Set



Reinforcement card colours:



This set provides students with a visual reminder of reinforcers available for staying on task and focusing on the lesson. Two sizes of reinforcement (token) systems are included. When first introducing the system it is recommended to begin with the larger size. It starts with just one token (and increases to five). The smaller size starts with three tokens (and increases to five). An informative brochure outlining how to use the Visual Reinforcement System will accompany your order.

Each set of reinforcer cards comes complete with Velcoins® (both hook and loop dots) and a supply of tokens. You may use the tokens we provide or any other type of token you deem appropriate for your students. Also included are 10 break cards, one wait card, and one help card in a boxed set. (Tokens may vary from those pictured, and may present a choking hazard.)

Complete Visual Reinforcement System Set **CVR \$59**

Break, Wait, and Help Cards

All cards are made of a durable synthetic material to withstand heavy use.

Wait Card: Dr. Bondy and Lori Frost have developed this card and a method of visually teaching the concept of waiting. Students are handed the card when they are asked to wait. The card acts as a promissory note for the item requested. Instructions for teaching this concept are printed on the back of the card.



Wait Card: **WAI \$8** ▶

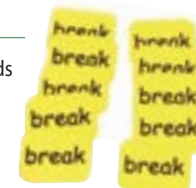


Help Card: A companion to our break and wait cards, help cards are designed to provide a functional way for students to request help in a calm manner. These durable, hand-shaped cards with the word "help" silk screened on them are accompanied by an instructional pamphlet.

▶ Help Card: **HLP \$8**

Break Cards (set of 10): Everyone needs a way to request a break. Break cards are an excellent way to teach all students a calm way to do so. We include loop Velcoins® to attach wherever needed, and an instructional pamphlet.

Break Cards (set of 10) **BRK \$15** ▶



Mini Set: Set includes 5 mini break cards, 2 mini help cards, 2 mini wait cards and instructions for using each.

▶ Mini Set: **MHB \$15**

Audio Reinforcement Reminder Tones CD

Instructors who use Differential Reinforcement Systems will find these CDs essential. Pop a CD into your CD player, select the track according to the interval you need, and repeat the track for a continuous reminder to catch your students "being good!" CD #1 has 1, 2, 3, and 5-minute intervals. CD #2 has 7 and 10-minute intervals. CD #3 has 15-minute intervals. Each track plays a distinct tone so that you can play more than one CD at a time for students needing different intervals and recognize which interval is sounding. Each tone is activated on a randomized, variable schedule (the three-minute tone sounds on average every three minutes). These tones also are a great tool for instructors who are teaching children to monitor their own behaviour.

Audio Reinforcement Reminder Tones CDs (set of 3) **ACD \$25**



Story Book Activity

Many of you have asked about adapting your favorite books for PECS use. Books with repeated lines and predictable stories are great for PECS activities because the repetition and predictability provide a functional context for multiple opportunities for requesting or commenting. We've developed five Story Book Kits for several books we think are perfect. Each kit includes an Activity Board with hook Velcro®, a large Sentence Strip™, and all the laminated pictures for both requesting and commenting activities, including a variety of Sentence Starters. Activity Board may vary in colour. **(Books not included)**

All Five Story Book Activities: **SBA5 \$64**



▶ Spilt Milk
Story Book Activity
SBSM \$15



▶ Caterpillar
Story Book Activity
SBAC \$15



▶ Zoo
Story Book Activity
SBAZ \$15



▶ Polar Bear
Story Book Activity
SBAP \$15



▶ Brown Bear
Story Book Activity
SBAB \$15



Song Activity Kit



Circle and music time are perfect opportunities for incorporating PECS requests and comments. We've assembled everything you need to incorporate PECS into five popular songs. We include the irresistible animals for each song. For Itsy Bitsy Spider we include a friendly, adorable hand puppet spider your students will love to interact with. For Five Little Ducks we have five bright yellow plastic ducks you also can use during water play. For Green and Speckled Frogs we hand paint different colours of speckles on each green, plastic, water-usable, squeaking frog so that you can incorporate colour requests. For Teasing Mr. Alligator we have five delightful, poseable monkeys in five different colours for colour requests. For Old MacDonald we have 5 lovable beanie farm animals. With the kit, we include an Activity Board with hook Velcro®, a large Sentence Strip™, all the laminated pictures you'll need for requesting, commenting, and attribute lessons for each song. We also include a variety of Sentence Starters, Velcoins® and a detailed lesson plan with expansion activities. Activity Board may vary in colour.

Song Activity Kit **SAK \$71**

Timed Activity Schedule

We found these fantastic digital bookmarks for students' activity schedules. Activity schedules are used to indicate the specific activities and order of activities to be finished within a particular lesson. For example, a student goal might be to complete several cleaning tasks in the kitchen, worksheets during class, or exercises during a physical education class within a specified time period. The timer promotes independent completion of the activities within a time period programmed by the teacher. The teacher reinforces the completion of all activities within the specified time and gradually reduces the time allowed until the student reaches the final goal! We add a strip of hook Velcro® so that you can add your own pictures. At the top of these durable plastic strips is a digital clock powered by an included, replaceable watch battery. Choose to set a countdown timer with alarm that alerts students when their time is up or set the cumulative timer to store time over multiple activities. (Pictures not included)



Timed Activity Schedule **TAS \$14**

colours:   

Universal NO Symbols

How to say, "NO!" and live to tell about it? One powerful visual strategy is the universal NO symbol. These clear plastic symbols come in two sizes (2.5cm and 4cm) and stick to your laminated symbols to signal that the item currently is not available. The student can see the original icon through this symbol. Remove the symbol once the item is available. Re-use them as often as you need! You get 15 small symbols and 15 large symbols.



Universal NO Symbols **UNO \$20**

Show and Go – School Pack **NEW!**

Are you teaching someone to respond to visual directions (as described in the *Pyramid Approach to Education* and the *PECS Training Manual*)? Are you using visual prompts to teach direction following? If so, then this is perfect for you! We polled educators around the world and have created a set of 10 of the most commonly used directions in a classroom setting. The directions are from our Pics for PECS™ collection and are printed on virtually indestructible plastic and joined on a ring. We include one blank card for you to add a direction or to store tokens. Add our lanyard and wear this around your neck for quick, always-available access (see below).



Show and Go - School Pack
SGSP \$19.95

Lanyard **NEW!**

Our PECS-imprinted lanyard offers comfortable wearing in durable polyester and includes metal crimp and metal split-ring to attach your badge holder, keys, or our *Show and Go* (See above)!

Lanyard **LAN \$3**



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