



AUTISM RESEARCH at Boston Higashi School



Dear Parents,

We are so pleased to let you know about our new research collaboration with Boston University! The attached flyer describes an exciting new opportunity for you and your child to participate in the research that is being conducted by our colleagues from the Center for Autism Research Excellence (CARE) at Boston University (www.bu.edu/autism). We are delighted to be partnering with Dr. Helen Tager-Flusberg and her research team to bring their research to the Boston Higashi School. We hope that the study will tell us more about the varied language, cognitive and behavioral characteristics of children and adolescents with autism. This comprehensive Profiles of Abilities Study will enhance our understanding of language related processes and individual differences thus enabling us to tailor our instruction more precisely to the needs of each child.

Dr. Tager-Flusberg has been conducting research on autism for many years now and has been on the Advisory Board of the Boston Higashi School for over a decade. She is the past president of the International Society for Autism Research, and has published several books and many papers on autism, language and the brain. She has spoken to our parent group several times (you can find her most recent talk at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QFpVVa3m-4&feature=youtu.be>).

It is with great enthusiasm that we invite you and your child to be part of this important partnership. This study will take place on the campus of the Higashi School. You can read the flyer to learn more about what is involved and contact the team at BU if you have questions (Attn: Brady Eggleston: care@bu.edu (617)-733-2570). We hope that you will sign up for the study so that your child has the chance to participate.

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