



## **Social Skills Group for children with Autism Spectrum Disorders**



### **University of Connecticut Spring, 2008**

This spring, the University Of Connecticut will begin holding social skills groups for children with autism spectrum disorders (ASD). The groups will consist of four children with ASD who will spend 90 minutes each week with two graduate student therapists specializing in ASD, who will be closely supervised by a licensed clinician with expertise in ASD. Groups will be offered throughout the year for various age groups. Social skills will be developed using cognitive-developmental and behavioral principles, including explicit training in certain fundamental social skills, and emotion regulation. Group activities are designed to teach children how to attend more spontaneously to their peers, and engage in reciprocal communication and play. For more information, please call the Psychological Services Clinic at 860-486-2642.

