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NEW YEAR BRINGS NEW STUDENTS AND NEW COMMUNITY PARTNERS !!

By February 1st, PAAL will add two new teens to our student body!! Following a glowing first quarter quality review by our Professional Advisory Panel, PAAL received the green light to expand. Although many students are currently waiting for a chance to enroll in PAAL, we remain dedicated to a slow, structured homogenous growth. We are thrilled to be able to admit one male and one female to continue our gender balanced student body.

PAAL partnerships also continue to grow as we enter the new year. PAAL is privileged to welcome **Evergreen Cleaners, VIP Pizza, Red Robin Restaurant,** and the **Wawa Corporation** to our list of Community Partners. While we are looking forward to long-lasting alliances with all of our new partners, the addition of a regional chain like Wawa as a partner opens many new doors to PAAL students. With Wawa stores located throughout the region, students will be able to quickly apply skills learned in the education environment to a job of their own at a Wawa store convenient to their home.



PAAL EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN NATIONAL AUTISM THINK TANK IN NEW YORK CITY

Executive Director of PAAL, Gloria Satriale, has been invited to participate in the **Advancing Futures for Adults with Autism: Think Tank** that will be held on January 23rd and 24th in New York City. Hosted by the New York Center for Autism, Gloria will join other national autism experts from across the nation to discuss and develop innovative models relating to residential, vocational, and recreational needs of the adult autism community.

PAAL PLACES TO BE IN 2009

1/16 - 1/17	Evidence-Based Interventions for Teaching Individuals with Autism Bucks County, PA
2/6 - 2/8	ABA 2009 Autism Conference, Jacksonville, FLA
3/20	Penn Autism Network Conference, Philadelphia, PA
5/22 - 5/26	35th Annual ABA Conference Phoenix, AZ

PAAL PRESENTS...

The reputation of PAAL's unique programming continues to spread throughout the autism community. In addition to the recent presentation for the National Autism Training and Technical Assistance Partnership (NATTAP) in Ohio this past November, the staff will be presenting at these upcoming events:

- ◆ The 2nd Annual Autism Conference of the Association of Applied Behavior Analysis in February in Jacksonville, Florida.
- ◆ The University of Pennsylvania's School of Medicine Autism Conference in Philadelphia in March.
- ◆ The Bucks County Association of Applied Behavior Analysis in Bucks County, PA also in March.