Children ages 6-13 years with a goal of building social skills are invited to join the Social Climbers summer program at the Wendell Johnson Speech and Hearing Clinic at the University of Iowa in Iowa City.

Social Climbers is designed for children who:
* Have challenges with friendships and social interaction
* Wish to attend and participate
* Will maintain consistent attendance
* Are able to participate in group activities for 90 minutes
* Speak in complete sentences and follow multi-step directions

Using the Social Thinking® curriculum, children will be grouped by age and current social communication skill level. Group members will work with a graduate student clinician under the supervision of a licensed speech-language pathologist.

Skill-building will include thinking about others’ thoughts and feelings, having back-and-forth conversations, problem solving in social scenarios, critical thinking, cooperative work and play, emotional regulation, friendships and friendship skills.

Groups will meet Monday and Wednesday afternoons from June 17 through July 31, 2019.

Fees are assessed at the low group therapy rate of $30 per session; insurance is accepted, and a sliding fee scale is available for families who qualify.

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