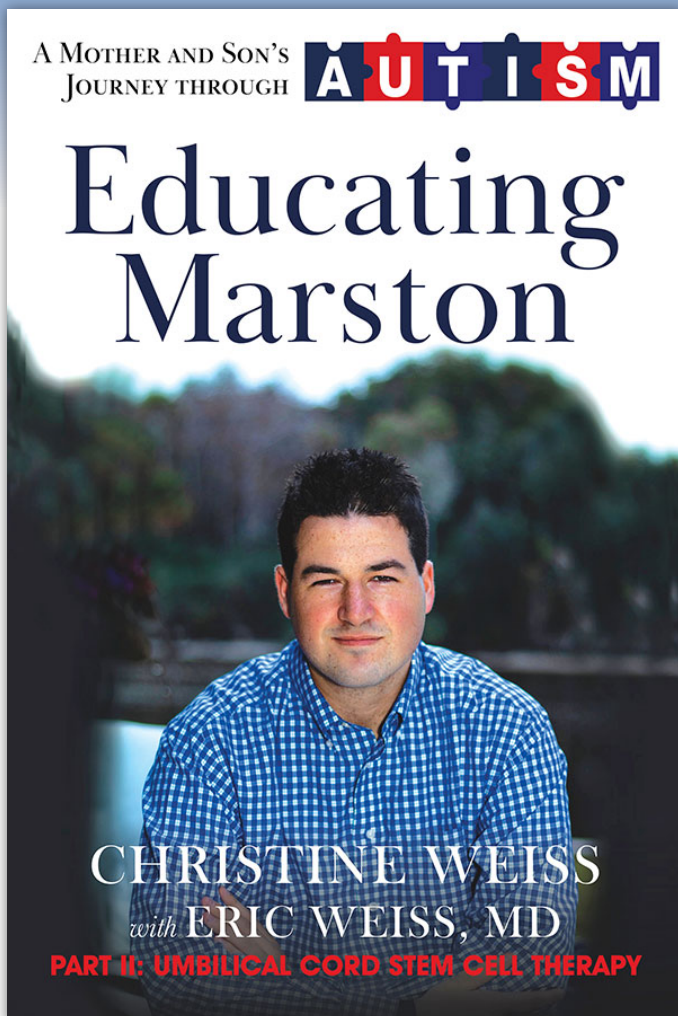


# Educating Marston

*A memoir for anyone struggling to find  
answers to raise a child with Autism*

*By: Christine Weiss and Dr. Eric Weiss*



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# Press Release

## **NEW BOOK *EDUCATING MARSTON* PROVIDES HOPE FOR ANYONE STRUGGLING TO FIND ANSWERS RAISING A CHILD WITH AUTISM**

*Marston's story draws awareness to a family's devotion, determination and commitment, and provides specific action steps one can take for healing*

**JACKSONVILLE, FL** –Everyone experiences happiness and sorrow, anger, joy, fear, surprise, loneliness. Kids on the spectrum feel just as deeply, but they often sound different, have more issues with confidence, and they don't know what comes after "hi," making their ability to focus and succeed in social situations hard. Authors Christine (Chris) Weiss and Dr. Eric Weiss announce the release of their new book "*Educating Marston*" to help with this range of emotions. The book contains specific action steps anyone can take when raising a child with autism, and provides hope for healing.

*Educating Marston* is Chris and Dr. Weiss' devotion, determination and commitment to help their son Marston live the best life. Readers will be educated on the autism spectrum, the therapies to help, and inspired to love and respect those living on the autism spectrum, and the families that are devoted to them. In the late 90's, when Marston was young, autism wasn't widely talked about, and social media did not exist. There was nowhere to turn and parents did not know where to begin. Even now, when searching for programs, the internet provides a wealth of information. In their first anticipated book release, Chris and Dr. Eric Weiss share the story of their family's devotion, determination, and commitment to help Marston live the best life. *Educating Marston* is a one-stop shop for anyone wanting a concise guide on where to begin the healing process. Chris Weiss and Dr. Eric Weiss detail programs like The Institutes for the Achievement of Human Potential, Vision Therapy, the Tomatis® Method, Marion Blank's approach to reading, hippotherapy, ballroom dancing, and their experiences with each, until discovered stem cell replacement therapy.

"It's taken me twenty years to gather the information in this book – a roadmap of a mother and son's journey with autism. I have been shown the way, and my gift back to the world is to serve as a guide for anyone I can," said author Chris Weiss. "This book is a story of life and hardships and the strength of the human mind and soul. It is about human connections that guided me to the right course for my son. Moms and dads of autistic children will certainly relate to the journey and I hope will find information to help their child. Aunts, uncles, grandmothers, sisters, brothers, of special needs folks would also benefit because Autism is an isolating experience. The diagnosis is frightening and confusing, being surrounded by family that understands and is there to help is a life line."

In Part two of the book, the reader is introduced to umbilical cord stem cell therapy. Board certified in Plastic

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Surgery and Reconstructive Surgery, co-author Dr. Weiss, a proud Veteran and former U.S. Navy Commander, is a regional leader in advanced regenerative medicine. He is laser-focused on utilizing umbilical cord stem cells to heal his plastic surgery patients and those with wounds from trauma and disease as well as deformities from birth or those acquired through life. Close to his heart is using regenerative therapy to treat autism. He attended Duke University Medical School, where cutting-edge autism therapy is being studied and has found great success using stem cell therapy. His son, Marston, is on the autistic spectrum and, as a result of this therapy, Dr. Weiss has seen tremendous healing of his condition. Dr. Weiss' goal is to restore wholeness to all patients by using umbilical cord blood stem cells to treat multiple health conditions.

“Umbilical cord blood contains powerful cells with chemical signals that optimize the healing capacity of the human body. They seek out inflamed cells that are old, damaged or injured, and are to restore them” said Dr. Eric Weiss. “Multiple studies demonstrate this cord blood can treat certain conditions successfully in children and adults including autism, osteoarthritis, rheumatoid arthritis, traumatic brain injury and more.”

“Stem cell therapy has helped my son in so many ways. Children with autism have inflammation in their brains. Stem cells combat inflammation. When we did stem cell therapy, we saw immediate results. Marston asked questions, he followed conversations, and he became acutely aware of his surroundings. Marston talked for conversation and not just for directions. Marston was more focused and his memory was spot on. To this day I still hear him use vocabulary words I never thought he knew and in the correct context. The veil was finally lifted and I saw who Marston really was,” said Chris Weiss.

*Educating Marston* is available for purchase now. The hardcover retail cost is \$24.99 and is available for purchase on Amazon, Barnes & Noble Booksellers, Indie Bound, Walmart and Bam! Books-A-Million. For more information, please visit: <https://www.educatingmarston.com>.

# Christine Weiss and Dr. Eric Weiss

Christine (Chris) Weiss is the author of *Educating Marston*, a compelling memoir about a mother and son's journey through autism. Chris was born in Haverhill, Massachusetts and is passionate about helping parents and children on the autism spectrum. She graduated from Clearwater high school and Florida State University with a BA of Science in "Food and Nutrition" as well as a minor in chemistry.

Dr. Eric Weiss is the Co-Author of *Educating Marston*. Dr Weiss practices all aspects of plastic surgery. He has recently incorporated Umbilical Cord Blood/Stem Cells into his practice after seeing the incredible healing properties in his son Marston. Born in Brunswick, Maine, he spent his early childhood in Florida. His father was a physician and mother was a psychologist, both with busy practices. Dr. Weiss graduated Magna Cum Laude from Davidson College with special attainments in chemistry. He graduated from Duke University Medical School and then completed residencies in general Surgery and plastic surgery.



# Book Bio

What comes after “hi”? This is a question that goes through the minds of kids with autism. Everyone experiences happiness and sorrow, anger, joy, fear, surprise, loneliness. Kids on the spectrum feel just as deeply, but they often sound different, have more issues with confidence, and they don’t know what comes after “hi,” making their ability to focus and succeed in social situations hard. With Marston, I’d start every morning believing today was the day he was going to look into my eyes and really want me. He’d reach for me, smile for the first time. Walk. He’d say, “Mama,” “Daddy,” or even “ball.” By 1998, when he turned three, I’d uttered that same old prayer a thousand times, and I was more determined than ever to shatter the glass wall that separated my son from the rest of the world. Autism wasn’t widely talked about back then, and Facebook (networking) didn’t exist. Eric and I were on our own. This memoir is our journey of *Educating Marston* through programs like The Institutes for the Achievement of Human Potential, Vision Therapy, the Tomatis® Method, Marion Blank’s approach to reading, hippotherapy, ballroom dancing, and the list goes on...until we discovered stem cell replacement therapy. Love, faith, hard work, and teamwork have taught Marston how to strike up a conversation beyond the word “hi,” and do so much more. The pain, obstacles, and victories over the last twenty-four years have brought us one step closer to Marston living a life of purpose with as much normalcy as possible.

# Why This Book is a Must Read

1. An amazing story of a family's journey through a loving mother's eye, *Educating Marston* is a memoir filled with strength, determination and beautiful hope for their son's future.
2. The reader will be educated on the autism spectrum, the therapies to help, and inspired to love and respect those living on the autism spectrum and the families that are devoted to them.
3. The reader is also introduced to umbilical cord stem cell therapy. Umbilical cord blood contains powerful cells with chemical signals that optimize the healing capacity of the human body. They seek out inflamed cells that are old, damaged or injured and use this therapy to restore them.
4. This book is a call-to-action to stop patterns of avoidance, passivity, and wait-and-see behavior, and ultimately, it describes how readers can proactively help those with autism.
5. Within this book are actions steps developed over twenty years. Tempered by hundreds of hours of third-party research and professional feedback, each step is an important part of the reader's journey to bringing normalcy to autism.
6. Every statement has been weighed. This book has been thoroughly researched and has come to fruition after 20 years.



# Testimonials

The knowledge that Chris has gathered in raising an autistic child is enormous, insightful and heartbreakingly honest; and she pours it out from her heart to help others. It is so valuable and resourceful, combined with the additional information from the medical side via her husband Eric, who is able to sift through and use his connections to get the latest breakthroughs for this devastating diagnosis! The medical community needs this book too...to be educated on how things can go wrong in pregnancy and what can be done for prevention! As a Catholic, I also hope and pray the Vatican council gets educated too on how to treat children with any disability! Don't even get me started on snotty moms who are non-inclusive for class birthday parties!

Chris and Eric are not only brilliant and honest, their hearts are the true testimony here, doing everything imaginable and loving their son beyond comprehension to find a cure and make him whole, the same they want for all children born with autism. It's a book you can't put down. I pray this story makes it to the big screen someday, the world needs to know and be educated!

*Katie*

This author gave a great presentation as to the struggles and successes of raising an autistic child. The references were excellent and the purpose well explained. I really enjoyed the part about embryonic stem cell research and usage with major references to the Duke University study. This book was difficult to put down and I found myself reading it all in one sitting. Any Mother who has raised a special needs child understands the trials and tribulations faced with the learning process. I appreciate the insight Chris has shared in her journey to raise her son. I commend her perseverance and her courage.

*Frank Nelson*

This book is the emotional story of a mother who fought for the answers that conventional medicine couldn't provide when her son was diagnosed with autism. This family navigated this diagnosis with grace and perseverance, and the results speak for themselves. The combination of beautiful story telling from the mother, and medical data from the father, a physician, make it both an enjoyable read as well as an excellent resource for those dealing with autism. I highly recommend *Educating Marston*.

*Kate Lord*

# Target Audience

## WHO SHOULD READ

- Parents of children with autism
- Caregivers to an a child with autism
- Aunts, uncles, grandmothers, sisters, brothers of special needs
- Employers who employ those with special needs



# Book Excerpt

“This Program Is No Joke” Marston’s brain wasn’t capable of processing how to create complete sentences. And, integrating the use of articles into his everyday vocabulary seemed like something he might never be able to do. If you’ve ever studied a foreign language over a long period of time and then gone to that country only to discover you can understand it but not speak it, you know what I mean. Marston was starting to understand language and communication, even though he couldn’t fold himself into individual or group discussions. He couldn’t read, either. I think he recognized the shape of certain words, but the letters themselves held no meaning. But the progress he’d made with gross motor skill development, sensory processing, focus, and comprehension was undeniable thanks to the IAHP (The Institutes for the Achievement of Human Potential). One night, about four years into this intensive program—I think it was around the time Marston was seven—I would see the results in action. We were praying in bed, like usual, when Marston asked God for Austin’s brain. He said it, of course, in his way, but I understood him perfectly. It was a dagger to my heart. I told him, “Your brain is perfect, sweetheart. God doesn’t make mistakes.”

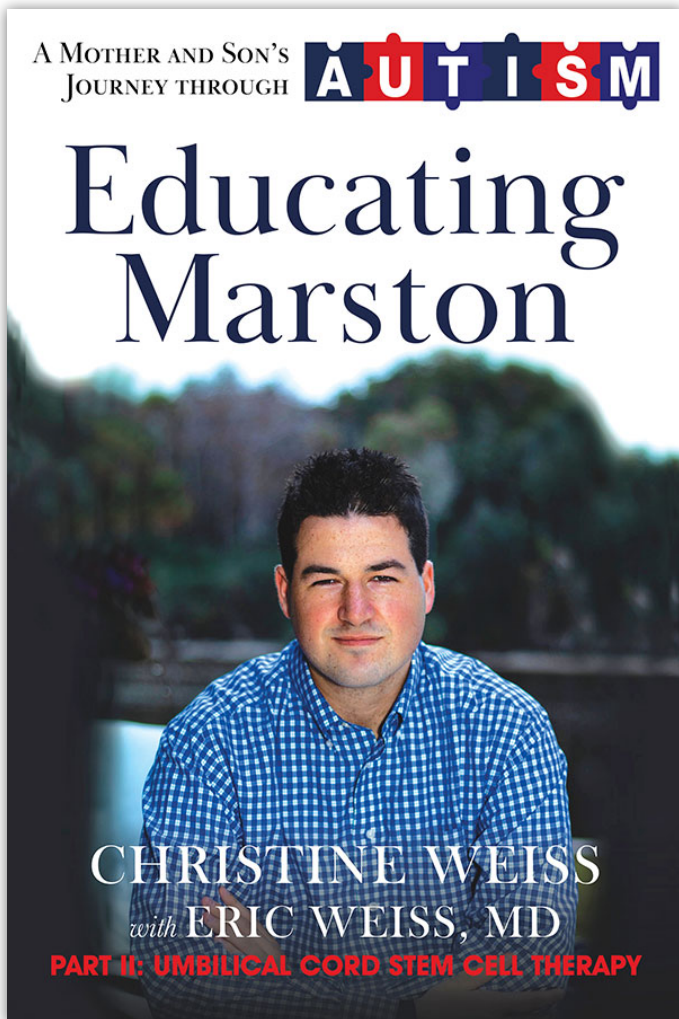
# Interview Questions

1. Tell us about your background, what you do for a living and your inspiration for co-authoring *Educating Marston*?
2. You have a son named Marston that is autistic. When did you first realize he was autistic and how did you feel at that moment?
3. They say kids on the spectrum feel differently and have more issues with confidence and trouble in social situations. Is that true and tell us a bit more about that?
4. Autism wasn't widely talked about when you first got the diagnosis of Marston. How did you go about finding a way to help him?
5. You indicate that stem cell replacement therapy helps autism. How has it helped Marston, and do you feel it will ultimately be the wave of the future in helping autistic children?
6. With Covid-19, you have no choice but to home-school right now. Are there any suggestions or tips you can provide for those struggling to help their children at home?
7. How do you manage having a full-time business, writing a book, and having the time to do things with your family?
8. What compelled you to write your upcoming book *Educating Marston*?
9. What is the premise of the book?
10. What are some steps identified in the book on how to help a child with autism?
11. You already have several endorsements on the book. Who are some of those that have endorsed you already?
12. Where can you purchase your book?

# Story Ideas for Reporters

- One Mom's Journey to Heal Her Son's Brain
- Challenges and Tips for Summer on the Autism Spectrum
- How animals play a big part in the healing process of autism
- How to Help Your Autistic Child Learn during COVID-19 Times at home
- The power of umbilical cord blood/stem cells for autism healing properties

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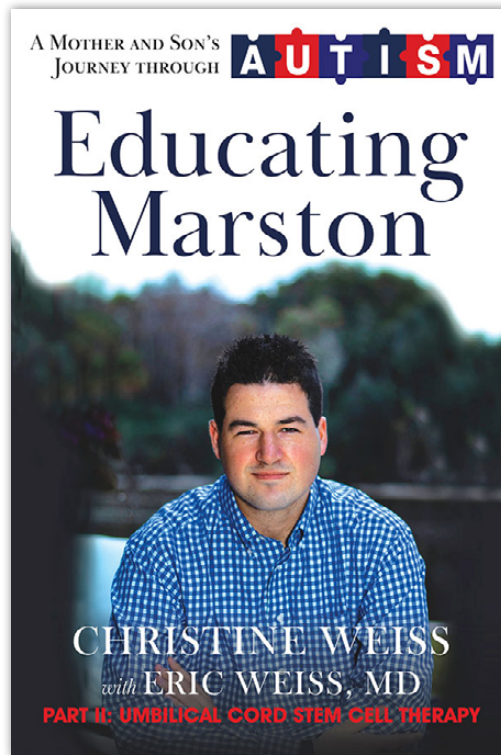


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