

SUMMER 2025

DYSLEXIA THERAPY TRAINING



Course: July 14-18 & July 21-25

Workshops: 9.6.25, 10.4.25, 11.1.25, 2.7.26, 4.18.26

Course Details:

The Written Word's Dyslexia Therapy Training Course is a two-year multisensory structured language training program for individuals who have completed a bachelor's or master's degree and are interested in becoming a highly trained Dyslexia Therapist / Certified Academic Language Therapist (CALT). This training program's course content reflects the International Dyslexia Association's (IDA) Knowledge of Practice Standards for Teachers of Reading.

Course participants will receive instruction from Qualified Instructors (QI) in implementing *Take Flight: A Comprehensive Intervention for Students with Dyslexia*, a two-year curriculum written by the staff of the Luke Waites Center for Dyslexia and Learning Disorders at Scottish Rite for Children (SRC) in Dallas, TX. *Take Flight* addresses the five components of effective reading instruction identified by the National Reading Panel's research and is a comprehensive Tier III intervention designed for students with dyslexia.

Take Flight addresses each component through:

- Phonemic Awareness Instruction following established procedures for explicitly teaching the relationships between speech sound production and spelling-sound patterns
- Phonics Instruction providing a systematic approach for single-word decoding
- Fluency Instruction using research-proven directed practice in the repeated reading of words, phrases, and passages to help students read newly encountered text more fluently
- Vocabulary Instruction featuring multiple word learning strategies and explicit teaching techniques with application in text
- Reading Comprehension Instruction teaching students to explicitly use and articulate multiple comprehension strategies (i.e., cooperative learning, story structure, question generation and answering questions, summarization, and comprehension monitoring)

The Written Word Center for Dyslexia and Learning:



Scottish Rite for Children: SRC has granted approval to The Written Word Center for Dyslexia and Learning to offer *Take Flight* training. Learn how to incorporate the *Take Flight* curriculum into your dyslexia therapy intervention.



IMSLEC Accredited: The Written Word Dyslexia Therapy Training is a quality IMSLEC-accredited training course.



ALTA Certification: Dyslexia Therapy Training Course graduates can pursue a professional credential through the Academic Language Therapy Association (ALTA) to become a Certified Academic Language Therapist (CALT).



Illinois State Board of Education - Dyslexia Toolkit: Take Flight: A Comprehensive Intervention for Students with Dyslexia is recognized as an intervention curriculum in the Illinois State Board of Education's published dyslexia toolkit.



Professional Development Provider for Illinois Educators: Educators participating in The Written Word's Dyslexia Therapy Training course will receive professional development (PD) hours through Everyone Reading Illinois.



Graduate-Level Credit Opportunity: The Dyslexia Therapy Training coursework is eligible for graduate-level credit toward a Master of Education degree in Special Education or Reading.

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