# **Outline**

#### Introduction

Dyslexia, Dysgraphia and Dyscalculia Anxiety and stress: physical and emotional IEPs and 504's

Accommodations and supports

#### **Evaluate and Assess for:**

**Executive Function Auditory Processing** Visual Processing Phonemic Awareness

#### TREATMENT STRATEGIES

#### **Executive Function**

Typical Development

# Sensory Development – Auditory **Processing**

Typical Development Impact on Reading and Writing Auditory attention Focused listening Sound discrimination

### **Sensory Development – Vision**

Typical Development Impact on reading, writing and math Behavioral Optometry Visual attention Visual sequential memory Visual form constancy Using colored overlays

#### **Phonemic/Phonological Awareness**

Typical Development Impact on reading and writing Effect on comprehension Sound/symbol correspondence Auditory bombardment Chunking and blending Whole-classroom activities

#### Anxiety

Ability vs. Performance

How to recognize anxiety in the classroom Planning and organizing to reduce anxiousness Creating opportunities for success in the classroom

Peer support Self-advocacy

#### More Treatment Strategies for...

Reading

Written Expression

Math Concepts and Calculation

## Dyslexia, Dysgraphia and Dyscalculia in the Classroom

When, why, and how to introduce Assistive Technology

Hands-on activities

# **Case Studies/Experiential Group Activity**

Create an intervention plan for LD students

- " A few of my teachers attended your session and came back raving. "
- New Jersey administrator

8:00 Program begins

4:00 Program ends

There will be two 15-min breaks (mid-morning & mid-afternoon). Actual lunch and break start times are at the discretion of the speaker. A more detailed schedule is available upon request.

# **Live Seminar Schedule**

7:30 Registration/Morning Coffee & Tea

**11:50-1:00** Lunch (on your own)

# **Objectives**

- 1. Formulate and implement plans for comprehensive evaluation to identify diagnostic criteria and underlying deficits present in students with reading, written expression, or math learning difficulties.
- 2. Develop IEPs or 504 plans that provide students with the instruction and support they need to be successful in reading, writing, math, listening comprehension, and oral expression.
- 3. Choose student-centered accommodations based on recommendations of the International Dyslexia Association and Americans with Disabilities Act.
- 4. Design effective strategies to treat underlying deficits in the areas of executive function visual processing, auditory processing, phonemic/phonological awareness, memory, and anxiety to improve reading, writing and math skills.
- 5. Teach students self-advocacy and anxiety management skills related to classroom performance, meeting deadlines, and project completion.
- 6. Utilize low-tech and high-tech assistive technology supports to help students access information through text, improve study skills, complete written assignments and help with math calculation.

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# Strategies for...

- Increasing sequencing and memory
- •Reading ability including instant improvement
- ·Handwriting
- Increasing words written
- ·Math skills
- Improving processing speed
- Reducing anxiety, including test anxiety
- •Stopping reversals

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# Dyslexia, Dyscalculia and Dysgraphia

Dyslexia, Dysgraphia or Dyscalculia are among the most complicated learning disorders seen in education today. Many of these students struggle to complete academic tasks, maintain social relationships with peers and adults, and are constantly under stress.

In this seminar, you will learn how underlying deficits related to executive function, visual-perceptual and visual-motor skills, and auditory processing skills affect a student's ability to read and write at grade and age appropriate levels. Participants will explore the impact visual processing, cognitive development and organization have on acquiring mathematic ability, and understand how to support and teach struggling math learners.

This presentation shows you how to identify underlying deficits and develop IEPs or 504 plans that effectively address individual student needs. You will develop a plan that includes game-based learning, assistive technology, phonemic and phonological awareness practice, focused auditory interventions and simple techniques to help with visual processing ability.

Upon completion of this program, you will be able to provide strategies to address your student's/ client's:

- Visual perceptual skills
- Visual motor integration
- Auditory and visual memory
- Reading rate, accuracy, fluency, comprehension
- Phonetic awareness and memory
- Spelling and handwriting struggles

# Speaker

SHANNON NORRIS, OTR/L, SIPT, is a pediatric occupational therapist and the co-owner of Kids Always Kount Therapy Services, LLC. She has been practicing as a pediatric OT with advanced specializations for 18 years working in the outpatient setting, school and daycare setting, and as a dedicated advocate for the specific learning needs of dyslexic learners. Her multidisciplinary practice specializes in highly comprehensive evaluations and intensive intervention programs designed to meet the developmental and learning needs of every child's specific learning profile.

Shannon is SIPT certified, a Certified Handwriting Specialist, a Dyslexic IEP Advocate, a Certified Irlen Screener, and Advanced Certified ILS Practitioner, Interactive Metronome Certified, and is currently working on her MRNI Reflex Integration Core Specialist Certification. She has also received training from Landmark School, the leading gold standard school specifically designed to meet the unique learning needs of dyslexic students. At Landmark, she has studied math strategies, study skill management, and executive functioning skills needed for parenting a child with dyslexia. She presents to therapists, parents, and educators often on treatment strategies, classroom success, and supports for this neurodiverse population. Shannon and her daughter recently supported legislation in Montgomery that has allowed for state-wide literacy changes in her home state of Alabama.

Shannon graduated from University of South Alabama in 2001 with a BS in Occupational Therapy. She was named 2014 Outstanding Alumni for University of South Alabama and is a member of AOTA, the American Occupational Therapy Association. She has contributed to a series of children books written about differently abled kids for accuracy in dyslexia content and contributed to a chapter in the book titled, Occupational Therapy in Community-Based Practice Settings.

Financial: Shannon Norris is the owner of Kids Kount Therapy Services. She receives a speaking honorarium from PESI, Inc. Non-financial: Shannon Norris is a member of the American Occupational Therapy Association. She is the parent of a child with dyslexia.

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