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Join Us at the Plain Talk About Dyslexia Conference

Date: October 4 - 5, 2024

Location: Baton Rouge Marriott, Baton Rouge, LA

Baton Rouge, LA – The *Plain Talk About Dyslexia* summit will bring together educators, specialists, and advocates from across the nation for two days of dynamic learning and collaboration. Held at the Baton Rouge Marriott on October 4-5, 2024, this inaugural event is designed to deepen understanding, share best practices, and spark meaningful conversations about dyslexia.

This year's conference is preapproved by ALTA and CERI for 8.25 continuing education hours, making it an invaluable opportunity for professionals to advance their knowledge and skills.

Keynote Speakers Include:

- **Tracy White-Weeden**, President and CEO of Neuhaus Education Center, Bellaire, Texas
- **Tim Odegard**, Professor of Psychology, Middle Tennessee State University

These renowned leaders in the field will offer their insights and expertise on the latest in dyslexia research, diagnosis, and intervention strategies.

Our Top Featured Presenters Include:

- **Nadine Gaab**, Associate Professor of Education, Harvard Graduate School of Education
- **Rebecca Gotlieb**, Assistant Researcher, UCLA School of Education and Informational Studies
- **Jan Hasbrouck**, Researcher, Educational Consultant, and Author
- **Kelly Sandham-Hurley**, Author and Founder of the Dyslexia Training Institute
- **Rebecca Tolson**, Director of the Center for Structured Literacy, University of Akron

The *Plain Talk about Dyslexia* summit will cover topics on:

- Diagnosing Dyslexia and Screening Techniques
- Understanding Dyslexia and Its Impact on the Brain

- Multisensory Math Techniques
- Effective Dyslexia Therapy and Intervention
- Myths and Misconceptions of Dyslexia
- The Science of Reading and Dyslexia
- Interpretation of Evaluations
- Louisiana Department of Education Specifics: Bulletin 1903, Guidance, SBLC, and 504

Who Should Attend: The conference is a must-attend event for Dyslexia Therapists, Classroom Teachers, Literacy Interventionists, School Counselors, Special Education Teachers, Educational Diagnosticians, Speech Therapists, School Psychologists, Literacy Coaches, Parents, and Medical Professionals, among others. This event offers a unique opportunity to connect with peers, share ideas, and access the latest resources and tools in the field.

Engage and Network: "Plain Talk About Dyslexia" isn't just about information—it's about connection. Engage with fellow attendees, forge new relationships, and exchange ideas during our dynamic networking events. Explore our resource hall, filled with the latest tools, technologies, and educational materials, ensuring that the learning continues long after the summit concludes.

Registration Information: For more details on registration, the full schedule, and speaker bios, visit mycll.org/plain-talk-about-dyslexia or contact denise@mycll.org.

Join us in Baton Rouge to learn, connect, and empower yourself with the latest in dyslexia education and intervention.

About the Center for Literacy & Learning: Founded in 1992, The Center for Literacy & Learning is a Louisiana-based national non-profit whose mission is to advance literacy and learning through evidence-based practices in the classroom, home and community. The Center works to help close the achievement gap by providing educators with customized professional learning that is designed to empower educators in recognizing, assessing, and responding to the multiple needs of diverse learners. Our research-based methods are built on the Science of Reading that has resulted in positive change in schools and communities.

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