

THE SCOTTISH RITE



*Scottish Rite Learning Center
Of West Texas Amarillo Campus*

Dyslexia Therapist Training Course

The Scottish Rite Learning Center of West Texas offers Therapist Training for teachers utilizing the research-based curriculum, *Take Flight: A Comprehensive Intervention for Students with Dyslexia*. Developed at the Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children, this curriculum is an Orton-Gillingham-based, structured, multisensory system for teaching basic language skills. The graduate level training course is designed for individuals who desire to become a language specialist in working with children with dyslexia.

Content of the course includes information and instruction in the following areas:

- Alphabet/Dictionary
- Graphophonemic Knowledge/ Phonics
- Morphology
- Word Recognition
- Reading Fluency*
- Vocabulary*
- Reading Comprehension*
- Phonemic Awareness*
- Spelling
- Cursive Handwriting
- Current research and legislation relating to dyslexia
- Characteristics of dyslexia including identification and placement
- Multisensory and discovery teaching techniques

* Indicates National Reading Panel Guidelines

2024 TRAINING DATES

The Introductory Course of the Therapist Training program will be offered on June 3 – June 15, 2024, Monday – Saturday, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Classes will be held at the Scottish Rite Learning Center-Amarillo Campus, 211 SE 17th Ave., Amarillo, TX.

Please refer to the attached materials for a description of course work, enrollment information and an application form.

For additional information please call (806) 350-7669 or e-mail cparker@srlewt.org.

DESCRIPTION OF COURSE WORK

First Year Course Work

- **Introductory Course (96 hours), 12 days June 3 - 15, 2024, Mon. – Sat., 8:00-5:00**
- **Four Introductory Seminars and the C. J. Davidson Memorial Lecture Series: Advances in Literacy in Lubbock or West Texas A & M University Center for Learning Disabilities Seminar during the year**
- **Teaching the curriculum in therapy situations to either an individual and/or small groups during the year**
- **Minimum of five demonstration lessons during the year**

Second Year Course Work

- **Advanced Course (42 hours), 6 days in June 2025; Mon. – Sat., 8:00-5:00**
- **Four Advanced Seminars and the C. J. Davidson Memorial Lecture Series: Advances in Literacy in Lubbock or an all-day workshop at West Texas A & M University Center for Learning Disabilities Seminar during the year**
- **Continuation of teaching the curriculum in therapy situations to either an individual and/or small groups during the year**
- **Minimum of five demonstration lessons during the year**

Therapy Experience for Therapist Certification to include:

- **A minimum of 700 hours of clinical teaching under the supervision of the Scottish Rite Learning Center staff**
- **Beginning the curriculum at least three times**
- **Experience teaching in the advanced portion of the curriculum**

Upon completion of the course work and therapy experience, the trainee, holding a bachelor's degree, will be eligible to submit an application to sit for The *Academic Language Therapy Association (ALTA) Competency Exam for Multisensory Structured Language Education (MSLE)* at the therapy level administered by the Academic Language Therapy Association (ALTA). Passing this exam gives the applicant an opportunity to become a member of ALTA as an Academic Language Therapist Affiliate (ALT-A). The trainee, holding a master's degree, will be eligible to submit an application to sit for The *Academic Language Therapy Association (ALTA) Competency Exam for Multisensory Structured Language Education (MSLE)* at the therapy level administered by the Academic Language Therapy Association (ALTA). Passing this exam gives the applicant an opportunity to become a member of ALTA as a Certified Academic Language Therapist (CALT). A CALT member, holding a master's degree, may apply for a Texas state license as a Licensed Dyslexia Therapist.

ENROLLMENT INFORMATION

APPLICANTS must have a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution and a current teaching certificate to be eligible for training. Teachers who plan on using the program in their classroom should have the approval and support of their school administration.

To apply for Therapist Training, complete and return the following:

1. The application form
2. A copy of your teaching certificate
3. The Compliance Agreement signed by your Principal
4. A current photo

Application and all other documentation must be received by May 15, 2024. No applications will be accepted after that date.

After receiving your application, the center will call you to schedule a date and time for a personal interview. At this time, scholarship information, curriculum, course requirements, and materials will be discussed.

Tuition – Tuition is payable to the Scottish Rite Learning Center and is to be received on or before the first day of classes.

Materials – Materials will be ordered by SRLCWT and shipped to SRLCWT – Amarillo campus. The curriculum materials needed for your training will be available to you on the first day of class.

Scholarships – Partial scholarships are available to public school applicants. To request financial assistance, send a letter stating the reason for your request to Olive Hester, Director of Therapist Training. You may attach the letter to your application.

Graduate-Level Credit - Texas Tech University and Lubbock Christian University in Lubbock, Texas, Midwestern State University, in Wichita Falls, Texas, and West Texas A&M in Canyon, Texas all offer graduate-level credit for the training course at SRLCWT, for an additional fee.



**APPLICATION FOR
DYSLEXIA THERAPIST TRAINING COURSE**

Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____ E-MAIL: _____

CURRENT PROFESSIONAL POSITION:

School: _____ District: _____

Address: _____ Title: _____

City, State, Zip _____ Grade Level _____

Principal _____

Do you teach any specialties and/or extra-curricular activities? _____

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: (Colleges and Universities)

	Degree	School	Years Attended
1.	_____	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____	_____

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Upon receipt of the complete application package, an interview will be scheduled.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATIONS/AFFILIATIONS:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES:

	Name	Address	Phone	Title
1.	_____	_____	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____	_____	_____

PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS BRIEFLY:

If necessary, please attach additional pages.

1. Why are you applying for this training program? _____

Upon receipt of the complete application package, an interview will be scheduled.

2. To date, what experiences have you had with dyslexia, either educationally, professionally, or personally? _____

3. How do you intend to utilize the skills as a Dyslexia Therapist? _____

PLEASE MAIL YOUR APPLICATION, TEACHING CERTIFICATE, SIGNED COMPLIANCE AGREEMENT, AND PHOTO BY MAY 15, 2023, TO:

**Please mail applications to
Scottish Rite Learning Center
of West Texas Amarillo Campus
ATTN: Carla Parker
211 SE 17th Ave.
Amarillo, Texas 79102**

**Please mail check payments to
Scottish Rite Learning Center
of West Texas
ATTN: Patti Ford
1101 70th Street
Lubbock, TX 79412**

Upon receipt of the complete application package, an interview will be scheduled.

Cost of Introductory Therapist Training,**June 2024 SRLCWT**Cost includes:

- Tuition
- *Take Flight: A Comprehensive Intervention for Students with Dyslexia*
First Year Kit
- Supplemental Materials
Essentials of Dyslexia & Intervention by Nancy Mather and Barbara J. Wendling
No Glamour Language Cards
Rite Flight : A Classroom Comprehension Program
Additional Miscellaneous Materials

★ In the event an applicant who is a recipient of a scholarship is unable to complete the Dyslexia Training Course, the *Take Flight* kit in its entirety must be returned to the SRLCWT without a refund.

Total paid to SRLCWT

\$1,909.65

School/Teacher purchased Materials

The following materials are to be purchased by the School or Teacher. It is your responsibility to have these items before the first day of class.

Multisensory Teaching of Basic Language Skills, 4th Edition
Activity Book – Multisensory Teaching of Basic Language
Skills, 4th Edition

\$ 60.00 estimate

\$ 30.00 estimate

Total to purchase materials

\$90.00 estimate

First Year Total

\$1,999.65 estimate

Cost of Advanced Therapist Training,

June 2025 SRLCWT

Cost includes:

- Tuition
- *Take Flight: A Comprehensive Intervention for Students with Dyslexia*
Second Year Kit

★ In the event an applicant who is a recipient of a scholarship is unable to complete the Dyslexia Training Course, the *Take Flight* kit in its entirety must be returned to the SRLCWT without a refund.

Total paid to SRLCWT	\$1090.35
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Second Year Total	\$1090.35
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First Year Total	\$1,909.65
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Second Year Total	\$1,090.35
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Grand Total paid to SRLCWT	\$3,000.00
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Estimated Grand Total with Teacher Purchased Materials	\$3,090.00
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