

Employer Support Form for Therapist-in-Training

This form should be prepared and submitted during the application process for the Dyslexia Therapist Certification if the applicant will be sponsored by their employer. If the applicant is self funded, this form should be completed with Employer as self.

Dyslexia Therapist Training Applicant Name _____

Applicant Current Employment Position: _____

Current Applicant Employer: _____

Current Supervisor's Printed Name: _____ Work Phone: _____

After reviewing the following participation guidelines, please sign and return this form to confirm the support of the training of the above applicant. It is understood that the terms of this agreement will be in place to support the therapist-in-training during the *entire period of two (2) years* she/he is in training.

1. The supporting employer will allow the therapist-in-training to instruct at least three (3) groups of no more than four to six students per group in daily, forty-five-minute sessions for 2 consecutive school years. Students may not be added to a group once instruction begins, as this is a sequential, cumulative program. However, it is possible for a new group to be formed during the year.
2. The supporting employer will provide an appropriate pullout setting for this daily instruction. An appropriate setting is defined as a quiet space that is set apart in an environment free from interruptions by non-participating students and is respectful of students' privacy. During the regularly designed dyslexia intervention lesson periods, the therapist-in-training will be excused from other responsibilities.
3. During the first year of training, the supporting employer will allow the above therapist-in-training to be away for 4 or 5 days, with no financial penalty, to attend four (4) day-long seminars at SRLC and to attend one professional conference such as the Austin or Dallas Branch International Dyslexia Association Conference (1 day), annual ALTA conference, CESD Dyslexia Conference (2 days), or other approved workshops.
4. During the second year of training, the supporting employer will allow the therapist-in-training to be away for 4 or 5 days, at no financial penalty, to attend four (4) day-long seminars at SRLC and to attend one professional conference such as the Austin Area or Dallas Branch International Dyslexia Association Conference (1 day), annual ALTA conference, CESD Dyslexia Conference, or other approved workshops.
5. The supporting employer will provide the following for the therapist-in-training.
 - a. Registration fees for first and second years of training.

