

## **Slingerland® Screening Services**

The HRS Learning Center offers a formal screening of student learning abilities, using a set of screening exams that have been developed by the Slingerland Literacy Institute.

### **The Slingerland® Educational Screening Procedure has the following purposes:**

- To identify the student's language learning strengths and areas of challenge
- To identify students who would benefit from a multisensory instructional approach, based on language-learning development inconsistent with the student's overall abilities
- To make recommendations and strategic interventions and accommodations that would more effectively support the student's educational progress
- To identify students who would benefit from a more complete psychological-educational evaluation

While the Slingerland® Screening Procedure is not a nationally normed device and does not provide a diagnosis of a specific learning disability, it is used throughout the country to gain insight about student strengths and weakness in the auditory, visual, and kinesthetic cognitive processing areas, as well as the degree to which working memory weaknesses may contribute to the student's challenges in each of these areas. The procedures are used to identify students with probable visual, auditory, or kinesthetic modality weaknesses – or weaknesses with integration between these modalities – that may be an underlying cause of challenges in acquiring language skills related to reading, spelling, handwriting and written expression.

- The Learning Center's Certified Slingerland® Screeners have been specifically trained in the administration, evaluation, and analysis of Slingerland® Screening results.
- The appropriate screening procedure form will be selected by the screener, in consultation with the Learning Center Director and based on family and school input, as well as any records provided by the family that relate to the student's academic performance.
- Slingerland® screenings can be delivered at several different levels, based on the grade, age, and academic abilities of the student.

### **Slingerland® Screening Process Steps**

- 1. Discuss with the Learning Center staff the appropriateness of the Slingerland Screening tool to your goals, needs, or concerns.** *Ask as many questions as you need to feel confident in the decision to pursue a Slingerland Screening.*
- 2. Schedule a screening appointment through the Learning Center Director.** *Administration of the screening takes between 90 and 150 minutes. In some instances, two appointments may need to be arranged in order to gain optimally relevant results.*
- 3. Complete and forward to the Learning Center Director the parent/guardian questionnaire at least 72 hours prior to your appointment.** *Provide any additional documentation that might assist the screener in understanding your student's learning profile.*
- 4. Help your child understand the purpose of the screening.** Please feel free to ask for advice about how to talk to your child about the screening experience. Provide a snack and water for your child to have during the screening.
- 5. Schedule a report review appointment with the screener (30- to 60-minutes) to review the results and recommendations.** Please allow 7-10 working days for the screener to complete a written report on the screening results.

### **Scheduling and Payment Policies**

- The cost of the Slingerland Screening is \$525.00. Payment is due, in full, prior to beginning the screening.
- A charge of \$200.00 will be assessed for a missed appointment with less than 24 hours' notice.
- No refunds will be given once the screening has begun.
- One week's prior notice is requested to reschedule screening appointments.