

Did You Know?



October is Dyslexia Awareness Month!

Dyslexia isn't just "seeing words backwards". It is a Specific Learning Disability that is neurobiological in origin. It is characterized by difficulties with accurate and/or fluent word recognition and by poor spelling and decoding abilities. There is **no relationship** between intelligence and having dyslexia.

There is no cure for dyslexia and individuals with this condition must learn coping strategies. With the right instruction, though, almost all individuals with dyslexia can learn to read.

You can learn more about dyslexia from the [International Dyslexia Association](#).



Parent Training Opportunities



VELA is a non-profit group based in Austin that focuses on providing information and support for parents of children with disabilities. If you are looking for training about special education services, disabilities, or just wanting a chance to talk with other parents, VELA has you covered. They are enrolling parents for their upcoming Fall schedule of courses. Click [here](#) for more information.

Agency Connections

Is your child 14 years old? Are you looking for work internship opportunities for your child? If so, [Texas Workforce Solutions](#) is for you! TWS works with students as young as 14 to provide instruction in work skills development. They also have paid summer internship opportunities, but you must be a client of TWS to access them. Reach out to your child's case manager if you are interested in a referral to TWS.

