

Consider becoming a tutor today....

Please consider becoming a tutor or consider asking others who may be interested. Our center currently has children on a waitlist in need of tutors and your commitment to become a tutor allows them an opportunity to be served.

Dyslexia affects one out of every five people. Dyslexic students do not naturally develop self-help strategies for reading and spelling, they can lack self-esteem as they hear well-meaning teachers and family members say, "try harder" or "pay more attention". These children left with untreated dyslexia often suffer devastating personal consequences. They can also exhibit behaviors such as withdrawal, social anxiety and poor motivation as a reaction to their lack of academic success.

Dyslexia is, however, a treatable condition. Children with dyslexia need professional help, and the earlier they receive it, the greater their chances of achieving normal, fully functional lives.

Millions of school children endure frustration on a daily basis as they struggle to acquire skills that many of us take for granted. That is why we need YOU! Please consider becoming a certified tutor by enrolling in our next scholar training program.

Sincerely,

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## *Our Mission...*

*The mission of the Children's Dyslexia Center - Southern Illinois is to provide free, one-on-one instruction to children who struggle with reading, writing, and spelling by first training tutors to use a highly effective method of teaching.*

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### What are the Requirements for becoming a tutor?

- Passion for helping children
- Bachelor's Degree in any field
- Completed application process (includes an interview)
- Love of reading
- Completion of our International Multisensory Structural Language Education Council (IMSLEC) accredited training program
  - 4-5 hours observing experienced tutors
  - 50 hours of classroom instruction
  - 100 hour supervised practicum, which takes a minimum of 9 months to complete
  - During the practicum, each scholar must conduct 55-minute tutoring sessions for two children, individually, two times per week (totaling four sessions per week.)
  - There is preparation time for each lesson, as well as time devoted to assigned readings, book reports, exams, and a final project/portfolio to be submitted before certification.
- Purchase of supplies and background check fee (Approx. \$200)
- Potential for employment once certification is completed.

**Note:** The (IMSLEC) accredited training program, which is typically \$5,000, is currently FREE to the trainees.



# YOU

Can Make a Difference

In the Life

Of a Child...

#### The Approach we use:

The curriculum used for tutoring and tutor training at all Children's Dyslexia Centers is based on the Orton-Gillingham approach. This approach, developed in 1920's, uses a sequential, multisensory phonetic approach to teaching and spelling. Thus, a variety of sensory data is used to help children understand the written word.

Corporate wide, over a thousand individuals interested in becoming certified tutors at the center have received free training. These tutors have provided free, one-on-one tutoring to over 10,000 children who have struggled to read. You can make a difference.