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Executive Profile

Motivated as an educator and leader, taking the initiative and offering optimal educational experiences designed for district mission, vision and values. Guided with a moral compass and committed to leading through examples and inspiring collaborative effort toward student academic, social and emotional success. As a person with dyslexia, a parent with children with dyslexia and a professional dyslexia consultant, provides innovative solutions and new perspective for teachers to apply to inspire in a creative way how to build strategies that build independence and confidence in both teacher and students.

Education

Masters of Art in Teaching, Dallas Baptist University, 2014

Bachelors in Early Childhood Education, University of Oklahoma, 1994

Certifications

Licensed Dyslexia Therapist

Certified Academic Language Therapist

Certified Special Education (Grade EC-12)

Certified Classroom Teacher Generalist (Grade EC-4)

Certified Classroom Teacher English as a Second Language (Grade EC-4)

Experience

Founder and Owner, Dyslexia Connects, LLC, 2022-Current

Bureau of Education & Research Dyslexia Presenter 2023-Current

Dyslexia Consultant, Region 10 Educational Service Center, 2018-2022

STARS (Students with Autism) Special Education Teacher, Keller ISD Central High School 2017- 2018

Dyslexia Therapist, Keller ISD Central High School, 2012 – 2017

Elementary Teacher, Keller ISD Freedom Elementary 2006 – 2012

Leadership and Involvement

Public Speaking:

Numerous professional events representing Region 10 addressing dyslexia topics 2018-2022 (District professional development for administrators, counselors, parents, elementary teachers, secondary teachers, and special education, librarians, EL teachers etc.)

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- Breakout Session Speaker 2022 Learning Ally Spotlight on Dyslexia 2022 How to Lead in a Way They Will Grow
- General Session Speaker 2021 & 2022 Annual CESD (The Council of Educators Students with Disabilities) Texas Dyslexia Conference
- General Session Speaker 2021 & 2022 ALTA (Academic Language Therapy Association) Conference Inspiring Teachers During Covid
- edWeb International Graphic Novel Presentation 2021 Using Graphic Novels to Empower Dyslexia Learners
- SLJ (School Library Journal) Summit 2020 What If it's Not "Reluctant Reading?"
- Empower Dyslexia Podcast 2019 Social and Emotional Support for Students with Dyslexia
- English Learner Professional Development Summit 2019 How to Identify and Support EL Students with Dyslexia
- Dallas IDA 2018 Conference, Brain Processing, the Power of Emotion
- READ, Reaching, Educating and Advocating for Dyslexia Parent Night 2017
- Killeen ISD, 2016 and 2017 Summer Professional Development 504 Accommodations, Dyslexia, Brain Processing, and Dyslexia Simulation
- Keller University, 2016 How the Brain Processes for Gifted Students
- Dallas IDA Speakers Information Group 2016 How the Brain Processes
- Keller ISD Dyslexia Parent Night, 2015 & 2016 How the Brain Learns
- ALTA Conference 2013: Adults that have successfully overcome dyslexia

Innovation:

- Coordinated State Virtual Summer Dyslexia Institute 2021 (1,200 participants)
- Created first Collaborative Poster Series with IDA, Bookshare, and Learning Ally
- Created Mentor Program BUDS: Better Understanding Dyslexia Students
- Created Feeder Pattern Parent Night: Dyslexia Resources and Simulation
- Produced District Dyslexia Documentary

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Campus Support:

- District Ambassador Program- informative community group
- Campus Educator for staff awareness, student advocacy, and parent support
- Ready Set Teach Presenter and Mentor
- Collaborated with Decoding Dyslexia Parent Group

Awards and Affiliations

- Dallas Branch International Dyslexia Association
Dr. Luke Waites Excellence in Education Award 2021
- Texas School Public Relations Association Gold Star Award 2021
Region 10 Dyslexia SMORE Newsletter
- Texas School Public Relations Association Best of Category, Gold Star Award 2019
Region 10 Poster Series
- Texas School Public Relations Association Gold Star Award 2019
Region 10 Dyslexia Connects Newsletter
- Keller ISD Central High School Teacher of the Year 2018
- Keller ISD Grant Recipient 2013
- Keller ISD Freedom Elementary Teacher of the Year 2008
- Member: International Dyslexia Association
- Member: Academic Language Therapy Association

Professional References

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