

## Workshop titles and thumbnail descriptions

### Workshops

#### *Teachers*

**Fundamentals of Dyslexia** - if one person in five has dyslexia, which of your students are dyslexic? This workshop is intended to give basic information about what dyslexia is; the factors that affect reading; and a simulation of what it feels like to be dyslexic.

**Characteristics of Dyslexia** - this workshop, intended to be a companion of Fundamentals of Dyslexia, focuses on specific warning signs of dyslexia by age; screening tools that teachers can learn to use; and a how dyslexic students feel simulation.

**The Multi-sensory Classroom** - How, exactly, does a teacher make lessons multi-sensory? What is the advantage of a multi-sensory approach to teaching? Put yourself in your students' chairs as you participate in a multi-sensory lesson. Come learn the principles of teaching that inform best teaching practices, including the principle that sets great teachers apart from adequate teachers!

#### **Academic Coaching**

Course Description: What if teachers could operate more like coaches, having at their fingertips the most effective study methods? What if teachers had the tools to help students learn how to learn? If the idea of coaching your students in how to be a great student interests you, then this is your workshop! Using unique study techniques that are based on the science behind how learning takes place will multiply the amount of learning your students wring out of each minute of time they devote to studying.

### **Dyslexia Friendly Classroom Track**

**Creating a Dyslexia Friendly Classroom: How You Teach Matters** This stand-alone workshop gets up close and personal by pointing out ways teachers go about teaching which make it harder for struggling students to learn, then provides alternative approaches which make it easier for not only the struggling students, but all students to learn. Directions for eight low cost and quick preparation multi-sensory tools are included in this workshop.

**Creating a Dyslexia Friendly Classroom: How to Screen for Dyslexia** This companion workshop is intended to give classroom teachers and administrators what they need to screen for dyslexia. An understanding of the basics of dyslexia is a prerequisite. Screening tools discussed in this workshop include a working memory assessment, a word reading assessment, phonological awareness assessment, an alphabet writing assessment as well as a sample professional report to summarize your findings.

**Teacher Created Materials Workshop** In this completely hands on workshop, teachers are invited to bring their teacher's manuals and dive right into making multi-sensory materials for tough chapter in your textbooks. From history to science to poetry memorization, there is a teacher created material to precisely meet your students' needs. There is a recommended supply list for this workshop.

### **Cindy's Testimony**

**Planned Random: A Life Serving in Christian Schools** Educators are often so caught up in the daily must-do's of their lives that they fail to see God's leading and direction shepherding them down the path. Cindy reflects back over the seemingly random twists and turns of her lifelong career of teaching, and in hindsight, identifies God's hand at work in those seemingly arbitrary decisions. This 20 minute address is very good for an after lunch address, when everyone wants to be told a story before going back to work.

### ***Administrators:***

**Case Study- A Dyslexia Center inside a medium sized Christian school.** Ten years into its existence, come to hear how the dyslexia center at Lindsay Lane Christian Academy has matured. Fresh statistics on student enrollment and retention, revenue generated by the dyslexia center, and standing in the community due to the dyslexia center will all be discussed. Come to hear how your school can start its own dyslexia center to reach new students and expand your student base.