

Dyslexia Foundation of Memphis

Make Time for Fall Saturday School

Hello friends! My name is Lisa Pennington and I am the Dyslexia Foundation's Facebook administrator. more we get the Memphis Dyslexia Foundation Facebook out the more families and LD children we can help. This is where you come in. If you have a Facebook or you have family and friends who have a Facebook, have them t o facebook.com/ memphisdyslexiafoundation and like our page. If you like our page you can keep better in touch with the program and learn fun acts.

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A Summer Semester to be Remembered

Wow! what a semester. The 2018 Summer School Semester will go down in the history books as being truly unforgettable! It started out as a fairly normal semester. Enough supervisors, tutors and students as usual, and then yank! went the rug. Tutors became ill. supervisor ill. became

Summer Update (Continued on page 5)

A Letter from the President....

I guess you are tired of hearing about the people I run into and where we ran into each other. But please keep reading because this really concerns you. I never tire of hearing from you parents. Those of you in the program and those of you who use to be in the program. In this case the meeting took place after the 2018 summer program. Cain and I were waiting to be seated at a restaurant, when a nice gentleman walked up to us and called me by name, "Mrs. Carson, my name is Mr. X and my son "Y" were in the Dyslexia Foundation about 15 years ago. (the next thing he said startled me) Mrs. Carson, you haven't changed a bit." WOW! What a terrible thought. Ι haven't changed in fifteen years. I'm not sure if I looked old and haggard 15 years ago or do I look younger than present old my Something to think about, but I digress. "Mr. X" went on to tell me about his son, who has graduated from U of M with a degree in graphic art. He is currently

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Fall 2018

Supervisor's Saturday	Aug 25
New Parent's Meeting	Sept 6
Application Deadline	Sept 8
Tutor Workshop	Sept 8
Student's First Day	Sept 15
Thanksgiving (Holiday)	Nov 24
Student's Last Day	Dec 8

Spring 2019

Supervisor's Saturday	Jan 5
New Parent's Meeting	Jan 17
Application Deadline	Jan 19
Tutor Workshop	Jan 19
Student's First Day	Jan 26
Spring Break	March 16
Annual Meeting	April 6
Easter Break	April 20
Student's Last Day	April 27

Summer 2019

Summer 2017				
Supervisor's Day	June 1			
New Parent's Meeting	June 11			
Set Up Day	June 12			
Application Deadline	June 13			
Workshop	June 13 & 14			
Student's First Day	June 17			
4th of July (Holiday)	July 4			
Student's Last Day	July 12			

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Many Ways You Can Help The Foundation



Does your workplace participate in a United Way campaign? Then you can designate your pledge to the Dyslexia Foundation of Memphis through United Way's Donor Choice Program. Simply follow the instructions on your pledge card, or write our name and address. Contact your human resources department or local United Way agency for more detailed instructions about giving a gift to the Dyslexia Foundation of Memphis through a United Way campaign. What a great way to help your company reach its 100% participation goal, make sure you know where and who is benefiting from your donation and helping the Foundation all at the same time. It is a win, win, win deal for everyone.

OURGIVINGTREE



We always need supplies all year long, and there is not enough space in the newsletter to list it all so we have come up with an new idea to tell everyone what we need. It is our Giving Tree! We put leaves on the tree with items the Foundation needs and ask everyone who would like to help to take a leaf and bring in the item. We have put the tree on our website with a list of items we need, Your help will be greatly appreciated.

See Page 3 for a list of some of the items,



You can help us serve more dyslexic children and their families without spending any extra money. All you need to do is signup for GoodSearch. Once your account is set up, if you use GoodSearch to do your web searches the Foundation will receive a donation for each search you do. You can also type in the address in your browser http://www.goodsearch.com/?charityid=840583 to set up your account.

If you also use the GoodShop option, each time you shop on the web, part of what you spend will be automatically donated to our Foundation at no cost to you. It doesn't get much better than that! It is like getting free money for the Foundation each time you search the web



You shop. Amazon gives.

With Christmas fast approaching, if you purchase anything from Amazon.com, you can help us raise money to help serve more dyslexic children and their families without spending any extra money. All you need to do is signup for Amazon Smiles and choose Dyslexia Foundation of Memphis as your cause to start shopping, and raising money. Click on the link and it will automatically take you to the Amazon Smiles site and set your Amazon account up to benefit the Dyslexia Foundation. You can also type in the following address to do the same thing: https://smile.amazon.com/ch/23-7420143

Thanks for taking the time to help our Foundation.

We Don't Want To Lose You!



The post office will not send out your change of address after just a few months. So keep us in the information loop by returning this form; or you may e mail us at caincarson@memphisdyslexia.org. In the meantime, you may miss receiving two or three news letters

Name

Address

City State Zip

Tear off this part of the page and mail to the Dyslexia Foundation of Memphis.

P.O. Box 240792 Memphis, TN 38124

Would you like to see your name in print?

We need guest columnists to contribute articles for the newsletter. No professional writing experience necessary, just a desire to share your experience with others. You can either snail mail it or e-mail it to me at

cain.carson@memphisdyslexia.org

Donations

Listed below are the wonderful people that made donations to the Foundation during the Summer Semester. Thanks to all of you for your help. All of the items are appreciated greatly

Store

Grace Stedman Lisa Pennington Loftin Boggans Hailey Wakefield Victoria Wakefield

Office / Misc

Karen Carson Paula Landrum Sandra Lucchesi Vasistha Family LoftinBoggans Josephy Mason

Food for Homeless

Vasistha Family Victoria Wakefield Couch Family

Corporate Donations & Cash through Individuals

Jim & Ann Vining Bob & Ann Wolfe Patsy Brotherton Paula Landrum Wenona Kincade

We appreciate all of the angels who took apples from the apple tree and brought in gifts for the foundation. We hope we have given credit to everyone who was so generous. But many things just appeared like magic and we do not know who brought them. We thank you all!

Please Note: We try very hard to make sure we have not left anyone off a list and everyone's name is spelled correctly. In spite of that, crazy keys are still pressed and mistakes are made. Please let us know of any errors and we will try and make the corrections. We never want to leave anyone out! db

General and Office Supplies

Quart Ziploc Bags
Sandwich Ziploc Bags
Pencils
Liquid White-out
Kleenex
Scotch tape
Sharpies – fine point
Baby Wipes
Tongue depressors

Triangle pencil grippers
Pencils
Liquid White-out
Expo markers colored
Binder clips
Page protectors

Snacks of all kinds

Animal Crackers
Golden Fish
Cheese-Its
Veggie chips
Cheese-n-Crackers
Popcorn, un-popped
Bugles
Pretzels

Copy paper

Dry erase markers

2018 Paid Members

Congratulations... You remembered... These *smart* people remembered to send in their dues and they are current paid members! Is your name here or did you forget? No problem you can send a check for \$20.00 or *more* to either:

Karen Carson The Dyslexia Foundation 7532 Hatch Circle P.O. Box 240792 Arlington, TN 38002 Memphis, TN 38124

and pay your dues today. Dues make it possible for us to send you Our Dyslexia Newsletter and other mailings during the year as well as support several other projects. Our dues have not increased in the last 15+ years—still only \$20.00! Where else can you find a group of dedicated people that work so hard to keep cost down? Please help us by renewing your membership.

Anderson, Sharon	Haney, Charlotte	Pudson, Samone
Barnes, James & Sharon	Hawks, Beckie	Sineath, Stewart
Bitzer, Art & Brenda	Hullum, Sharonda	Pennington, Lisa
Brecheen, Tray	Hutchins, Regina	Perry, George & Rachel
Brotherton, Patsy	Ibrabin, Esrot	Rakowsky, Cindy
Carson, Cain & Karen	Jones, Kim	Sanders, Tiffany
Carson, Tina	Jonea, Nina	Smith, Greta
Carter, Sarah	Kennedy, Melissa	Steadman, Jim & Andrea
Collins, Tracy	Kincade, Wenona	Swayerty, Latoya
Cook, Patrick & Kathie	Langley, Renee	Tucker, Cheyenne
Couch, Jessica	Landrum, Paula	Vasishta, Sandeep
Culver, Bethani	Lehigh, Patti	Vining, Jim & Ann
Curtis, Kathy	Lucchesi, Sandra	Wakefield, Family
Davis, Reginald	Mason, Bridget	Williams, Avery
Fitzhugh, Linda	May, Brenda	Wolfe, Bob & An
Green, Margaret	McClanahan, Jennifer	Young, Ykeitha
Gillespie, Pam, Auburn & Ryan	McCloud, Shelby	

Let's work together to make our list of paid members grow and GROW! (If you have sent in your check and your name is not here, please let us know — Errors do happen

Morris, Lindsay

Facebook (Continued from page 1)

Hammond, Christopher

Your comments however would be what would make our page even better. We created this page so that we could reach more parents and learning disabled children. When people come to visit our page it would be nice if they could see postings of your comments about the program and how it has helped your child. The other important thing that you can do for us is every time you see a post by us please share it so that we may reach families around the Mid-South who have not yet liked us.

Graduates from Books

The following students completed books during the 2018 Summer Semester:

Book A

Arrush Vasistha

Austin Collins

Ethan Smith

JD McClanahan

Julia Swagerty

JW Schwalb

Malachi Williamson

Noah Thompson

Book C

CJ Carson

Book C

Paavni Vasistha

Book E

Lakia Burkett

Book H

Auburn Gillespie

When a student finishes a book they receive their choice of a trophy or a medallion at an award ceremony on the last day of school.

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Perfect Attendance



A big salute goes out to the students who did not miss any days during the entire Summer 2018 semester! Thanks for your dedication to the Foundation.

Students

Aarush Vasistha Christian Talens Ethan Smith Joe Brotherton Kaycie Cook Maddox Couch Malik Davis Ava Hammond
Collin McClanahan
JD McClanahan
Joseph Rakowsky
Lakia Burkett
Malachi Williamson
Pagyni Vasistha

Staff

Karen Carson Paula Landrum Victoria Wakefield Linda Fitzhugh Sally Paulson Zoie Claire Couch students had things happen that they could not deal with...well what can I say, Life Happens. But the remaining staff overcame all obstacles! Supervisors tutored 2 and 3 students some periods, tutors took up the slack by doing extra duties, directors became supervisors, when the need arose, even students filled in. Believe it or not we all survived and even succeeded. We had 36 students receive Math Whiz awards; and 12 students finished books from A to H; And 14 students and 6 staff had perfect attendance.

Once the word went out that we needed a supervisor and tutors, we had 6 former tutors and supervisors show up to help. So, all in all, it turned out to be a Great summer after all.

Once upon a time, we had a wonderful director who would say when times were tough "God loves the Dyslexia Foundation" and I am here to tell you that she was right; God does love the Dyslexia Foundation! So, thanks to everyone who went above and beyond the call of duty to make this a wonderful and successful semester in spite of some difficulties. We sincerely appreciate all those who answered the call and helped out where it was needed. Your willingness and dedication to our students is heartwarming.

So why don't you come in September and help make our Fall Saturday School even greater. You will be helping more students succeed and getting rewards for a job well done.

Hope to see you in September!

The Prez db

married to a lovely lady and has just bought a new house in Cordova. He has his own Graphic Art company. Mr. X said that he felt that his son's success was due to the help he had received at the Dyslexia Foundation.

I am lucky enough to get this scenario acted out over and over. I am always gratified to hear that one of our students is doing well. Having been in the foundation for over 36 years, I have seen a lot of students come through our program. I sincerely believe that we have helped all of them and their families too. It is odd that even the students who were not here long seem to get something good from our program. Our son, Chris, is such a good example. Even though he was a student for 9 years and completed the program, he would never say that the program had helped him, but now many years later, he is telling everyone how great the foundation is. I am always getting calls from people who met Chris at work and how much he has helped them understand their child who they have just had tested for dyslexia and on Chris's advise would like to come to the foundation. We have parents in the foundation today because of Chris. We also have students in the program whose parents were in the program when they were young.

New parents often ask if we have any statistics about how this program helps and I smile and say we have living proof that it works, we have students who are making A's, when before they were making much lower grades. We have students who would not speak above a whisper, who will now talk loud enough to be heard and will look at you when they talk to you. We have parents who were scared and afraid that their children would never be able to live a "normal life" that are excited about the achievements that their children have made. This is our proof that the Dyslexia Foundation works, and it is all the proof I need. I love this program and I love all of you. I stay in this program because it completes my life. It has given my life meaning and purpose and I know a lot of you feel the same way. Everyone needs something to dedicate their life to and I hope you will choose the foundation too. I feel that the foundation was a way for me to give back to all those people who helped me when I came here all scared and afraid and overwhelmed.

When I received the news that I considered "the end of the world". I felt that all hope was lost. I knew almost nothing about dyslexia. But very kind people sat with me and educated me and gave me back hope. They explained that people with dyslexia could be anything they wanted to be. It completely turned my life around. It made me a better parent, better wife, better teacher, and a better person. I hope each of you can find something you can believe in, something that you can give your life to, something that will make you a better person. Until then why not give your present to the dyslexia foundation and perhaps your future too. Hope to see you in September and if not, I hope to hear from you. Your letters are always welcome. GOD bless you all always.

Most sincerely yours, Karen Carson, Foundation President

"The Starfish"

Paraphrased from

"The Star Thrower" by Loren Eiseley

Once upon a time there was a wise man that used to go to the ocean to do his writing.

One day he was walking along the shore. As he looked down the beach, he saw a human figure moving like a dancer. He smiled to himself to think of someone who would dance to the day. So he began to walk faster to catch up.

As he got closer, he saw that it was a young man who wasn't dancing, but instead was reaching down to the shore, picking up something and very gently throwing it into the ocean. As he got even closer, he called out, "Good morning! What are you doing?"

The young man replied, "Throwing starfish in the ocean."

"Why are you throwing starfish in the ocean?"

"The sun is up an the tide is going out. If I don't throw them in, they'll die."

"But, young man, don't you realize that there are miles and miles of beach and starfish all along it? You can't possibly make a difference!"

The young man listened politely, then bent down, picked up another starfish and threw it into the sea, past the breaking waves, and said.

There is something very special in each and every one of us, and we must each find our own starfish.

We have all been gifted with the ability to make a difference with students who have "differences in learning"...and if we at the Foundation throw our stars wisely and well...the world of our children will be blessed!

Excerpts from a parent letter we recently received:

We will always be thankful for you and the members of the Foundation. We appreciate your help, support, sacrifice, and love for other people's children. We love the Dyslexia Foundation. It was a light in the dark, a glimmer of hope, a cheerleader to continue (and so much that words cannot express) and that we know the Lord sent us to you. My son and I were talking about the first day at Summer School, when he was 5 years old and you took his hand and lead him down the hall. It hurt me because he was crying, but your reassurance to both of us helped so much. You said you don't like being the "bad guy", but I have never seen you that way. Since we have been doing many things with our son through the years, I have seen so much lack of discipline with LD kids. I don't think that's love. I understand your heart is broken when you find out or realize your child is LD but now I know it's not the end of the world, its just a beginning to a new road. We have always loved the order and discipline in the Dyslexia School because it prepares our kids for real life. I also think that our children learn better and there is a security that goes along with consistency, discipline, and routine. We still have the memory boards you gave to us. We also will never forget the love and kindness the Foundation gave us. Thank you for taking your time to help not only the children but also the parents. It has helped our family more than I can ever express.

Our son graduated in May. He will start school to become a Vet Tech soon because he loves animals. He worked in a Vet's office one summer and really enjoyed it. We appreciate the Foundation so much.

Much love,

A mom of a LD student

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The Dyslexia Foundation of Memphis

Dear Parents and Tutors:

We are again planning a 12 week fall program. It will be conducted on Saturdays from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The program will run from Saturday, September 15 to Saturday, December 8, 2018 at **All Saints' Episcopal Church**, 1508 S. White Station Rd. Memphis, TN 38117.

Workshops, which are *mandatory* for all personnel, will be held Saturday September 8, 2018, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at All Saints' Episcopal Church **BRING A LUNCH!!!!**

The Dyslexia Foundation's own language curriculum is used for instruction. Students MUST take part in the full curriculum for the entire 12 week period.

The following policies must be understood by all who apply to the program - - as tutors or students:

- 1. Only those who have been recommended will be accepted as students. Please contact a Director if you have questions about being accepted.
- 2. All tutors must be sixteen years of age or older.
- 3. All participants must be current members of The Dyslexia Foundation of Memphis. Dues are \$20.00.
- 4. A certain dress code will be observed by everyone.
- 5. ALL WORKSHOPS ARE MANDATORY FOR ALL PERSONNEL.
- 6. All personnel must fulfill all obligations as set forth in the application contract.

Please apply for the subject you prefer to tutor, math or language. New parent-tutors apply only for reading. The following areas require tutors:

- 1. Reading (All tutors tutor Language)
- 2. Math

Workshops and daily staff meetings will provide instruction in the use of the materials. Supervision will be given over all areas of instruction.

If Parent, Friend, or Sibling (16 or Older) <u>Can</u> Tutor: Registration fee \$75.00, + Tuition \$200.00 for a total of \$275.00 + Dues \$20.00 Yearly

If Parent, Friend or Sibling <u>Can</u> <u>Not</u> Tutor Registration fee \$75.00, + Tuition \$200.00, Paid Tutor \$360.00 (\$30.00 a Saturday) for a total of \$635.00 + Dues \$20.00 Yearly

The entire amount is due with the application before September 8, 2018 It cannot be refunded. Remember parents who tutor must fill out an application. The above figures require an enrollment of 60 students in order for the Foundation to offer the Fall Program at this tuition cost.

All applications must be returned <u>before September 8, 2018.</u> If you are unable to meet this deadline please call and notify the Director of your intentions. Neither students nor tutor applications will be accepted after that date unless verbal approval has been made. An exception will be made for new families who were tested during the Summer 2018 semester.

If you have any additional questions, please contact the director before the application deadline.

SEND APPLICATIONS TO: Dyslexia Foundation of Memphis 7532 Hatch Circle Arlington, TN 38002 Sincerely, Karen Carson 337-8731

WAIVER OF LIABILITY

In partial consideration of the willingness of All Saints' Episcopal Church and the Episcopal Diocese of West Tennessee to allow its facility to be used by The Dyslexia Foundation of Memphis, of which my child is a participant, the undersigned parents or guardians of the child(ren) listed below, acknowledge that All Saints' Episcopal Church and the Episcopal Diocese of West Tennessee shall be free from all liabilities and claims for damages and/or suits for or by reason of any injury or injuries to me, my child(ren), or property, from any cause or caused whatsoever while in or upon the property of All Saints during any and all functions of The Dyslexia Foundation of Memphis held on said premises.

I further agree to indemnify and hold harmless All Saints' Episcopal Church and the Episcopal Diocese of West Tennessee from all liabilities, charges, expenses (including counsel fees) and cost on account of or by reason of any such injuries, liabilities, claims, suits or losses however occurring or damages growing our of same.

Children:						
Signed this	_ day of	, 2018				
Parent or Guardia		******	·*******	******	*****	*****
		F	RELEASE			

I, individually, (and/or as parent, and/or guardian of the named minor) for and in consideration of the acceptance of my application to enter and my receiving permission from The Dyslexia Foundation of Memphis, hereinafter called "Foundation", to participate in the succeeding Dyslexia Summer and/or Saturday School, do hereby release, remise, waive, surrender and forever discharge The Dyslexia Foundation of Memphis together with all of their officers, agents, officials, directors, supervisors, tutors and employees, collectively hereinafter called "Foundation", from any and all liability, claims, demands, actions, or causes of action whatsoever arising out of or related to any injury, illness, loss or damage, including death, relating to participation in the succeeding Dyslexia Summer and/or Saturday School.

I further agree that in the event of any injury or emergency requiring medical attention that if I am assisted by the Foundation in receiving treatment and willingly accept such treatment that I will in no way hold the Foundation responsible for the consequences of my treatment of any problem resulting there from, whether administered by the Foundation or a third party called by the Foundation. Should I become unconscious or unable to give my consent for medical treatment and it becomes necessary for the Foundation to render assistance or have a third party administer medical treatment, I agree not to hold the Foundation responsible for the consequences of my injuries or any claims, losses or damages arising there from. I further agree that I will be responsible for any medical bills incurred in my treatment, and will not hold the Foundation responsible therefore.

Student(s) and/or Tutor(s) name(s):	
Signature of parent(s) if under 18:	Date:

Dyslexia Foundation of Memphis Student Application

Name	Birth Date / /	_ Age	Grade
School	Dominant Hand	Sex:	Glasses Yes / No
Name	_ Birth Date//_	Age	_ Grade
School	Dominant Hand	Sex:	Glasses Yes / No
Parents Name	T	elephone (_)
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Signature of Parent and/or Guardian			Date
Return Applications by Specified D Notice of Nondiscriminatory Policy as to students: the rights, privileges, programs, and activities ge discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and Emergency Contact Information: Name:	Deadline The program admits student enerally accorded or made dethnic origin in administration.	ts of any race, available to st ion of its educa	color, national and ethnic origin to all udents in the program. It does not tional policies, or other programs.

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Tutor Application

Name		Socia	al Security #		
(Last)		(Middle)	-		
Address					_
(Street))	(City)	(State)	(ZIP + 4)	
Telephone ()		Date of	Birth//	Sex	_
E Mail Address					_
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Signature of Parent Return Application	or Guardian s by Specified Dea	adline			

Order Form To order by phone call (901) 337-8731

Name:	Phone:			
Address:				
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Qty	Description	Size	Price	Total
	Classic Dyslexia Foundation Cook Book		\$12.00	
	"See What It's Done For Me" T-Shirt		\$12.00	
	"Famous Dyslexics" T-Shirt		\$12.00	
	"Famous Dyslexics" Apron		\$12.00	
	"Famous Dyslexics" Tote Bag (18" X 16")		\$12.00	
	"Gift of Dyslexia" T-Shirt—Blue		\$10.00	
	Please include \$3.00 per item for S & H			
		Total Due		

If you order 3 or more items, they are \$10.00 each

To view any of the items, please check our website, www.memphisdyslexia.org

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT









