INTERNATIONAL DYSLEXIA ASSOCIATION-WI BRANCH

May 2023

Hello members:



The hockey game was amazing! Our message of Dyslexia Awareness came across the jumbotron and at our table next to the entrance/exit. We had lots of exposure and I love connecting with people.

The board is working on our next conference. In the meantime, I want to get some other educational events out there. If you have any suggestions, please feel free to email me.

We do have a Dyslexia Awareness Party scheduled for Saturday, October 7th at 1 pm at Oakstone in Cottage Grove. We will have a silent auction, raffle, music, food and lots of talking about dyslexia. On top of it all, it is a good place for children and adults to socialize that have a common interest. It was so much fun last time, we decided to do it again.

Also in October is the National conference. It is in Columbus, Ohio on October 12-14th. More details at: <u>IDA Announces</u> <u>DyslexiaCon 2023! October 12-14, 2023 - Columbus, OH -</u> <u>International Dyslexia Association (dyslexiaida.org)</u>

I hope everyone has an amazing April!

Thanks,

Priscilla Gresens President of the IDA-WI

Article to help

Our students have all sorts of learning challenges. One of my students has been diagnosed, now what? Read this great article:

How Teachers Can Help Students With Dyslexia: What Our Readers Say (edweek.org)

Until Every Child Can Read!

BRING YOUR PASSION

We all have a passion for Dyslexia. With that in mind, we are always looking for new members to join the board. We meet every other month. We would love to have your passion to help us. We can adapt to your interest level and see what you do well to help us. Please email any board member for more information.

Contact us: Website: <u>https://wi.dyslexiaida.org</u>

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Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/groups/2434 91134482212/?ref=share

To help others out with dyslexia.

The Children's Center for Dyslexia-Madison is holding their annual walk on May 20th. Here is the link to help them out.

<u>Madison Children's Dyslexia Center</u> <u>| Walk for Dyslexia 2023 (madisoncdc.org)</u>

Famous Dyslexics

There are many famous people with dyslexia. Here is one that I found interesting.

Keira Knightley

Keira Knightley is a leading lady actress. She has starred in movies like *The Pirates of the Caribbean* and *Love Actually.* She was born in London and has dyslexia. Her parents found out that she had dyslexia when Keira was quite young, at the age of six. Keira has always wanted to be an actress and her parents used that towards her advantage. They used acting as an incentive for her to learn to read. As you can see, it has worked since she is an international actress. Not only does she advocate for dyslexia, but she also advocates for other issues, such as equal parental leave.

"Dyslexia is like a wall...it's very difficult to see over it."~Keria Knightley

Books By Dyslexics

Many people with dyslexia overcome their fears and challenges and write books. Here is one that is for children.

The Accidental Secret Agent by Tom McLaughlin

When you hear the words 'international super spy with a license to kill', you're probably not thinking of a thirteen-year-old boy with an overactive imagination called Kevin. But through an incredible mix up, Kevin happens to be the secret service's latest recruit and the fate of the world rests in his hands.

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Books about Dyslexia

One in Five by Micki Boas

I found this book a little dry to start but it was a good book once I got through the first couple of chapters. It talks about how to advocate for those with dyslexia. It tells how the laws for people with disabilities are flawed and how to make them work towards helping children with dyslexia.



