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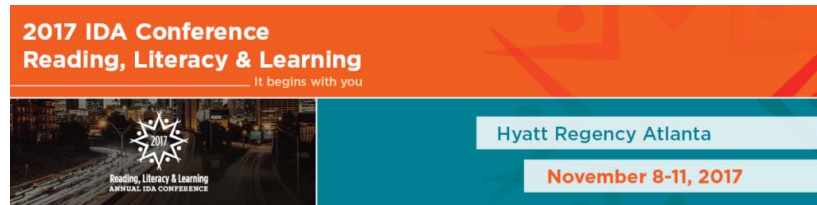
Greetings ~

I trust everyone will enjoy a quiet week away from the hustle and bustle and hurrying to get to the clinic. Please find time to relax, go for a hike or better yet, simply enjoy family time together. I will be heading to Tybee Island, Georgia, for a few days at the beach. I am already dreaming of long morning walks, beach treasure finds and late nights filled with endless reading! I trust you recently received our annual summer letter. Summer sign up begins on Monday, April 17th. If you did not receive your summer letter please let us know by contacting us at marcy@ardenreadingclinic.com.

Happy Spring,

Marcy Sirkin – Owner/Director

FROM THE INTERNATIONAL DYSLEXIA WEBSITE:



IDA's Annual International Conference is the premier professional development conference dedicated to dyslexia. The conference brings in experts from all over the world to educate attendees on the latest research, remediation, and more.

The Reading, Literacy and Learning Conference is held for both professionals and families and is attended by some 2,000 teachers, educators, and administrators, reading specialists, researchers, university faculty, psychologists, physicians, tutor, and parents.

The four-day conference includes:

- Four general sessions with keynote speakers
- Full- and half-day pre-conference symposia
- Over 100 sessions
- Exhibit Hall
- Networking opportunities
- Social events
- Visits to local schools
- And much more!

Upcoming Events

March 27

First day of Billing cycle 4. Billing cycle is 4 weeks long.

April 1

Tuition due for April

May 1

First day of May - Billing cycle 5. Tuition due.

April 10-16

Clinic closed for Spring Break

Reminder

Please remember that the clinic **DOES NOT** close for school closings such as Teacher Workdays.

The clinic **WILL CLOSE** for Spring Break – **April 10th – 16th**. That week is not included in the April billing cycle, and you are not charged tuition for it. Your April tuition covers 4 weeks and is the same amount as it is every other month.

More Important News

Success Story

Ari Emanuel, Hollywood talent agent who's also dyslexic!!



"Dyslexia has also helped me identify and develop my other skill sets. I believe that people who struggle with dyslexia are given the insight to find inventive solutions in life and business that others probably never find."

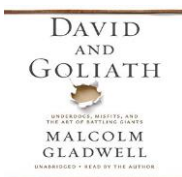
"A giant among Hollywood talent agents, Ari Emanuel represents a diverse clientele of writers, actors, and filmmakers, many of them legends in their own right.

Emanuel learned at an early age to be aggressive and stand up for himself. Raised in a family where education was a high priority, he had to read the newspaper every day to keep up with current events and defend his political opinions each night at the family dinner table. This posed no problem for his brother Rahm, former Obama chief of staff and now Chicago mayor, and Ezekiel, a breast oncologist and head of the Department of Bioethics at the Clinical Center of the National Institutes of Health. But for Emanuel, diagnosed in the third grade with dyslexia and ADHD, it was a monumental challenge. "I was on the ceiling," he says. "The Ritalin helped, but reading was an enormous task."

Growing up in the Chicago suburb of Wilmette, Emanuel attended public school and excelled in mathematics, but he failed miserably in reading and English. To supplement his instruction at school, Emanuel's mother took him to several different reading instructors and hired tutors to give him private reading lessons at home. "She also stayed up late at night to help me with reading," he says. "She made me go over my words repeatedly; I hated it, but I'm grateful now."

By excelling in math and sports, Emanuel was able to counteract some of the ridicule he received from other students. But at highly ranked New Trier West High School, those talents couldn't save him from being placed in special education, which he describes as "brutal. People made fun of me every day: athletes, other students, my peers," he says. "I probably had it a little easier than the other kids in special ed because I was a decent athlete. Being an accomplished wrestler made me feel like less of an outcast, but I still got myself into a lot of fights and ended up in the principal's office every other day." *Excerpted from the Yale Center website.*

Recommended Reading



We recommended this book two years ago, but wanted to mention it again in case you haven't read it. Chapter Four entitled, "You wouldn't wish dyslexia on your child. Or would you?" is well-written and reassuring for parents of children with dyslexia. He points out that their "outsiderness" actually gives our kids an advantage.

Billing Cycle 4 - April

M	T	W	TH	F	S	S
3/27	3/28	3/29	3/30	3/31	4/1	4/2
4/3	4/4	4/5	4/6	4/7	4/8	4/9
4/17	4/18	4/19	4/20	4/21	4/22	4/23
4/24	4/25	4/26	4/27	4/28	4/29	4/30



In the Community

From Science Alert:

Scientists think they've identified the underlying neurological cause of dyslexia – follow the link to read more.

<http://www.sciencealert.com/scientists-might-have-identified-the-underlying-cause-of-dyslexia>

Finding a College Fit for Students With Learning Differences

www.theatlantic.com/education/

Go to the link and search for the article entitled, "The Road to Higher Education with an 'Invisible Disability'"

www.understood.org

Under "Learning & Attention Issues," find the video: "Dyslexia and the Brain" to learn "how the brain function of a child with dyslexia can actually change when he learns how to read fluently."