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Hello~

The season is officially upon us with bright pumpkins on the front porch, and very soon our Christmas/Hanukah lights will replace the Fall decorations. It is such a beautiful season, with a calming felt as one observes the leaves turn brilliant colors and gently fall to earth, making way for much colder days and hopefully white snows

Our students are comfortably ensconced in their school and extracurricular activities, and we're gratified by their progress as they move through their tutoring programs. As always, we are so grateful to you for entrusting your children to us and for sharing their success with others. "Word of mouth," continues to keep our clinic busy and full!!

Happy Holidays,

Marcy Sirkin – Owner/Director

FROM THE YALE CENTER WEBSITE:

“The [Shaywitz DyslexiaScreen](#)™, for the first time enables schools nationwide and internationally to quickly and reliably screen all kindergarten and first grade students for dyslexia, allowing early support and intervention. The evidence-based assessment, developed by Dr. Sally Shaywitz, is simple for schools to implement and use in the evaluation of early readers. The questions on the assessment, which are based on a longitudinal study conducted by the Yale Center for Dyslexia & Creativity, are considered likely predictors of dyslexia in children several years later.”

ARC has ordered this assessment and will be screening all Kindergarten and first grade students who enroll with us for tutorial.



Upcoming Events

October 17

First day of the November billing cycle.

November 1

November tuition due.

November 14

First day of the December billing cycle.

December 1

December tuition due.

Reminder

Please remember that the clinic **DOES NOT** close for school holidays/closings such as Election Day or Teacher Workdays.

We **will** be closed the week of Thanksgiving: **November 21-25**. That week is part of the December billing cycle, making both billing months four weeks long.

More Important News

Success Story

Jay Leno, Comedian who's also dyslexic!!

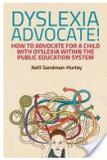


"I discovered that being a little bit different actually sets you aside in show business; it makes you special. You always try to turn your negative into a positive."

"Jay Leno has been making humor out of headlines and everyday life since he was a kid. Even after his last night as the host of *The Tonight Show with Jay Leno*, a job he held for more than two decades, Leno plans to continue to perform in comedy venues across the country. He's no stranger to hard work and dedication to his craft and his passions. That hard work, mixed in with perseverance, humor, and a positive attitude, is the recipe for his success in show business and in overcoming his dyslexia.

While some students would say they struggled in school as though it were a hardship, Jay never minded working harder. "Everybody has something," he says. "My mother would always say to me, 'You're just going to have to work a little harder than the other kids to get exactly the same thing.' And that's an approach that I've always used in my life. I'm a great believer in low self-esteem. So consequently, if you don't think you're the smartest person in the room and you think you're going to have to work a little harder, and put a little more time into it, to get what everybody else does, you can actually do quite well. And that's been my approach." [Read more at the Yale Center website.](#)

Recommended Reading



Dyslexia Advocate! by Kelly Sandman-Hurley.

"This (new) straightforward guide provides the essential information for parents and advocates to understand US law and get the right educational entitlements for a child with dyslexia. Using case studies and examples, this book demonstrates clearly how to apply the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) to the unique requirements of a dyslexic child. It offers simple, intelligible help for parents on how to coordinate successfully with their child's school and achieve the right services and support for their dyslexic child; up to and beyond getting an effective Individual Education Plan (IEP). Dyslexia Advocate! is an invaluable tool for parents trying to negotiate a complex legal system in order to get the best outcome for their child. It is an essential guide for anyone who is considering acting as an advocate for a child with dyslexia." *Published 2016*

November Billing Cycle

M	T	W	TH	F	S	S
10/17	10/18	10/19	10/20	10/21	10/22	10/23
10/24	10/25	10/26	10/27	10/28	10/29	10/30
10/31	11/1	11/2	11/3	11/4	11/5	11/6
11/7	11/8	11/9	11/10	11/11	11/12	11/13



In the Community

From Stanford Magazine:

alumni.stanford.edu

Be sure to read the entire article to learn about Carol Dweck's research on "growth mindset." Powerful and useful information!

At <http://dyslexia.yale.edu/>

This is an "oldie" but a "must-read" if you have a child taking the SAT or ACT for college admission. You cannot start too early to ensure your child gets the necessary accommodations.

["The Test from Hell"](#)

www.ecac-parentcenter.org

The Learning Disabilities Association of NC has filed a complaint with the federal government against NC State Board of Education - You can read the letter in full by going to the website, clicking on the article, and then clicking on the words, "has filed a complaint," in the first line.

<http://www.rtinetwork.org/>

Click on "Parents and Families" and look in the "What's New" box to the right to find the article: **Beginning with the Whole Mind: Florida's Systems Approach to Response to Intervention**