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Greetings ~

Hurray, its officially Summertime in the mountains! I trust you are finding lots of opportunities to get outside and entertain yourselves and your children. We are so grateful to each of you for letting us be a part of your child's summer routine. The payout will be great when this school year resumes. If you don't have time to read this entire newsletter, PLEASE at least check out [Our Dyslexic Children](#) – the film. It is an absolute must see!

Please stay safe, stay healthy, and keep reading to your kiddos,

Marcy Sirkin – Owner/Director

Our Pandemic Safeguards

At the clinic, we have enhanced our social distancing practice with the use of plexiglass table guards for all tutoring tables. The guards are approximately 24 x 24 and have a pass-through opening for papers and books. At the front door we have a Purell hand sanitizing station, and our tutors wear masks and have gloves available to accommodate each student's individual safety needs.

In addition, we continue to:

- use Clorox Disinfecting Wipes to clean tutoring tables, plexiglass dividers, markers, and pencils after each student.
 - use wipes to disinfect door handles, computer keyboards, and computer mouses throughout the clinic.
 - use wipes throughout the day to disinfect any surfaces our students and we touch.
 - practice social distancing with our students and use ongoing recommended CDC methods.
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Upcoming Events

July 1

Tuition due for July billing cycle 7.

August 3

August billing cycle 8 begins.
Tuition due on August 1st.

August 3

Sign-up for Fall begins August 3rd and runs through August 5th.

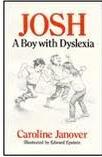
Important Announcement

Please remember that the clinic **WILL CLOSE** for Summer Break **July 6th – 12th**. That week is not included on the 4-week July billing calendar.

Also, please note that the clinic **DOES NOT** close for teacher workdays.

More Important News

Book Recommendation



Josh: A Boy with Dyslexia by Caroline D. Janover

"This is an adventure story for 8-10-year old's, with a section of facts about learning disabilities at the back of the book & a list of resources for parents & teachers."

Success Story

Octavia Butler, Award-Winning Author-Dyslexic



"I learn better through listening than through reading. Which is one of the reasons I read so slowly—I hear every word and that way I can remember it. I get books on tape, and also courses on tape." Octavia Butler was an award-winning author of thirteen books. She was a pioneer in the science

fiction genre, winning both the Nebula and the Hugo Awards. In 1995, Butler was honored with a MacArthur fellowship, and in 2005, she was the recipient of the City College of New York's Langston Hughes Medal. The Pen Center West awarded her with a lifetime achievement award. She died after a fall outside of her home in 2006. In 1995 Butler and her work were recognized with 'the Genius Grant.' But Octavia never considered herself to be very bright, much less a genius. In fact, she struggled in school, where teachers interpreted her slow reading and inability to finish assignments in the allotted time as an unwillingness to do the work. When given the time to write in school, Butler would weave tales that were so out-of-the-box her teacher assumed she had copied them from a published story. When she was thirteen, one teacher did recognize her talents as a writer and encouraged her to submit a short story to a science fiction magazine . . . That story . . . would signify the moment Butler knew that she wanted to—and could—write for a living; however, Butler was writing stories for herself long before then. 'By the time I was ten I was writing, and I carried a big notebook around so that whenever I had some time I could write in it. . . I usually had very few friends, and I was lonely. But when I wrote I wasn't, which was probably a good reason for my continuing to write as a young kid. I read a lot also, for the same reasons.'" *Read more about Octavia Butler at dyslexia.yale.edu.*

July billing cycle

M	T	W	TH	F	S	S
6/29	6/30	7/1	7/2	7/3	7/4	7/5
7/13	7/14	7/15	7/16	7/17	7/18	7/19
7/20	7/21	7/22	7/23	7/24	7/25	7/26
7/27	7/28	7/29	7/30	7/31	8/1	8/2



In the Community

From the International Dyslexia Association:

[The Science of Reading](#)

From the Columbus Foundation:

[Our Dyslexic Children – the film](#)

From the Yale Center for Dyslexia & Creativity

[Multicultural Outreach](#)

From Collegeboard.org:

[SAT and PSAT Coronavirus-Related Updates](#)

From ACT.org

[COVID-19 Updates](#)

From Revibe Focus Tracker:

[Resources for Talking to Your Child or Teen about Racism](#)

[Dear Parents: Five Things Teachers Want You to Know During COVID-19](#)