



New Hampshire's Dyslexia Law: A Year Later

Thursday, April 5, 2018

7:00-9:00pm

Nashua Community College 505 Amherst St, Nashua, NH

Free and open to the public

(2 professional development hours for educators)

Three speakers, each knowledgeable and passionate about dyslexia, will discuss the dyslexia law that was enacted in New Hampshire in 2016.

They will present their experiences during the first year and the implications for schools, teachers, students, and parents.

One school district that has embraced the law's intent by implementing evidence-based teacher training will report on how that is helping their struggling readers.



Beth McClure is a Fellow of the Academy of Orton-Gillingham Practitioners and Educators with 25 years of experience using the O-G approach with children and adults. Beth is a public school principal at Strong Foundations Charter School where the all students from age 5 through grade 6 receive O-G instruction. In the spring of 2017, she worked with the NH Education Department to help implement the requirements of the dyslexia law.



Paul Lynch is a businessman and the parent of a child with dyslexia. He serves as Chairman of the Rochester (NH) School Board and, in that role, led the district in an undertaking to train its teachers in the evidence-based Orton-Gillingham approach to reading and spelling instruction.



Heidi Zollman is a Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment Coach in the Rochester (NH) school district and a faculty member at Granite State College. Her strong background in literacy was developed through her work as an elementary teacher, reading and writing specialist, and *Reading First* Coach. Heidi is a certified trainer in DIBELS Next and LETRS (*Language Essentials for Teachers of Reading and Spelling*).