



Alabama State Department of Education State Board of Education Work Session October 2019

The Alabama Literacy Act #2019-523 Dyslexia Therapist Certification Endorsement

The State Superintendent of Education shall develop, and the State Board of Education shall approve, a dyslexia therapist certification endorsement on or before December 31, 2019.

K-12 and Early Childhood teachers who have completed an International Multisensory Structured Language Education Council endorsed training course and have received a passing score on the Academic Language Therapy Association's Certified Academic Language Therapy assessment, or the International Dyslexia Association's Knowledge and Practice Examination of Effective Reading Instruction, and who hold a valid Professional Educator Certificate shall be eligible for a dyslexia therapist endorsement.

Requirements

- Holds a valid Alabama Professional Educator Certificate in a teaching field
- Completes an International Multisensory Structured Language Education Council endorsed training course

AND

1. Receives a passing score on the Academic Language Therapy Association's Certified Academic Language Therapy Assessment OR
2. Receives a passing score on the International Dyslexia Association's Knowledge and Practice Examination of Effective Reading Instruction

Resulting Certificate

Alabama Professional Educator Certificate, Grades P-12, with a
Dyslexia Therapist Endorsement