

# First Annual Conference

JONESBORO, AR

September 17th, 2016

(Registration Required)

- 8:00am - 8:30am - Registration

- 8:45am - 9:35am - Wendy Stovall
"Dvslexia 101"

- 9:45am - 10:35am **-**

#### **Linda Graham**

"Exceptions and Misconceptions- Navigating the Special Education Eligibility Maze"

- 10:45am - 11:35am -Joey Walter

"Engaging Your Middle Schooler"

- 11:45am - 12:00pm - Evaluations

### Speaker Bios

#### Wendy Stovall

#### "Dyslexia 101"

Wendy Stovall worked as a teacher for 8 years before becoming a School Psychology Specialist. She is a leader in the profession both in the state and on a national level through her role as the Arkansas Delegate to the National Association of School Psychologists. She serves as a role model and mentor to the teachers in her buildings, through attendance at RTI meetings, keeping due process folders under control, setting up therapy and intervention programs, progress monitoring, data collection and management, assisting with level 2 dyslexia assessments, and providing countless trainings and in-services on dyslexia awareness; all of this in addition to her real duties as an evaluator.

Her proudest accomplishment is being a mother to her daughter, Allie and her son, Garrett. She has personal experience as a parent of children with special needs. This personal experience is what drove Wendy to learn more about dyslexia characteristics, appropriate dyslexia interventions and best practices in dyslexia assessment.

#### Linda Graham

## "Exceptions and Misconceptions- Navigating the Special Education Eligibility Maze"

Linda Speer Graham, Ed.S is an Arkansas Licensed School Psychology Specialist and Nationally Certified School Psychologist. She has provided school psychology services for districts throughout Northeast Arkansas and since 2007 has been the school psychologist/crisis coordinator for the Nettleton School District. Linda is also a PREPaRE crisis response trainer for the National Association of School Psychologists. Her husband Dennis is a high school counselor in the Harrisburg School District. They reside in Jonesboro.

#### **Joey Walter**

#### "Engaging Your Middle Schooler"

Joey Walter is a graduate of Brookland High School, the University of Arkansas and Arkansas State University. His degrees include a Bachelor of Science in Human Resource Development, Master's of Education in Workforce Development Education, Specialist in Community College Administration and Doctorate in Educational Leadership. He currently works for the Arkansas Department of Career Education in Little Rock, AR. His professional experience includes State leadership, career coaching and adult education instruction. His published works are "Motivational Techniques: Positively Impacting Students from Middle School through High School http:// www.aliinstudentresearch.org/volume2sp14/ and "God's Door is Always Open: Using His Word to Find Peace Through The Storms of Life" which is available on Amazon and Kindle. He is married to the former Kasey Evans with 2 daughters: Emma and Kelby.

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