The Hamilton Institute at Wheeler was developed from the proven success and expertise of The Hamilton School in Providence, Rhode Island. The Institute has assembled a collection of suggested resources for parents of children with learning differences.

**Books for Parents/Guardians**
- *Overcoming Dyslexia, 2nd ed.*, by Sally Shaywitz, M.D.
- *The Dyslexic Advantage* by Brock L. Eide, M.D. and Fernette F. Eide, M.D.
- *Taking Charge of ADHD, 4th ed.*, by Russell A. Barkley
- *The Dyslexia Empowerment Plan* by Ben Foss

**Websites**
- [Understood.org](http://Understood.org) is a website geared towards supporting parents and teachers of children with learning differences. This organization sends out a regular email newsletter and updates their website frequently with useful articles as well as opportunities to submit questions.
- [International Dyslexia Association](http://International Dyslexia Association), also known as IDA, is a non-profit organization dedicated to helping dyslexic individuals and the families and educators who support them. Their website is regularly updated with suggested articles and webinars.
- [Decoding Dyslexia](http://Decoding Dyslexia) is a parent-led grassroots movement across the United States. Their main concern is with the limited access to educational interventions for children with dyslexia in the country’s public education system.
- [Dyslexic Advantage](http://Dyslexic Advantage) is a national network connecting people with dyslexia and other learning differences.
- [Decoding Dyslexia RI Facebook Group](http://Decoding Dyslexia RI Facebook Group) and [Decoding Dyslexia MA Facebook Group](http://Decoding Dyslexia MA Facebook Group) are terrific resources. They both serve as very responsive parent/educator messageboards when it comes to needs, questions, recommendations relating to children with dyslexia and other learning differences.
- [Headstrong Nation](http://Headstrong Nation) was founded in 2003 by Intel Reader creator, Ben Foss. Headstrong nation is a non-profit dedicated to serving the dyslexic community.
LD Online provides up-to-date information on learning differences for adolescents, adults, parents, and professionals. There are numerous articles and forums as well as a directory of professionals, schools, products, and more.

Yale Center for Dyslexia and Creativity Co-founded and co-directed by Sally Shaywitz, M.D., the YCDC strives to illuminate the strengths of those with dyslexia, as well as to disseminate information, practical advice, and the latest research regarding language-based learning differences. This website is a never ending resource.

Articles
Dyslexia at a Glance
What is Orton-Gillingham?
Orton-Gillingham Instructional Approach
Teaching Reading IS Rocket Science
Dyslexia and the Brain: What Does Current Research Tell Us?
A Guide to Talking about Dyslexia

Videos
Embracing Dyslexia an interview with Maryann Wolf
Fireside Chat with Sally Shaywitz, M.D., author of Overcoming Dyslexia
Early Language and Brain Development TED Talk by Dr. Patricia Kuhl
Resilience in Challenging Times, Part I International Dyslexia Association Webinar
Resilience in Challenging Times, Part II International Dyslexia Association Webinar
The Dyslexic Brain with Guinevere Eden Ph.D.

Advocacy Resources
Advocating for Students with Dyslexia in Public Schools
Defending the D Word, Dyslexia
Basic Rights: How to Advocate for Your Child During the Pandemic
Center for Appropriate Dispute Resolution in Special Education
National Center for Learning Disabilities
Individuals with Disabilities Education Act: Section 1414: Evaluations, eligibility determinations, individualized education programs, and educational placements
Wrights Law

Talking to Children About Their Learning Differences
See Dyslexia Differently Video
Your Fantastic Elastic Brain by JoAnn Deak, Ph.D.
It’s Called Dyslexia (Live & Learn Book Series)
**Recommended Tutoring Services**

RI Tutorial
Commonwealth Learning Center
Orton-Gillingham Academy
Children’s Dyslexia Center of Rhode Island

**Assistive Technology for Your Child**

Learning Ally  This program offers struggling learners equitable access to the books they want to read and the grade-level content they need to read. The library of audiobooks is extensive and the recordings are

Read Naturally  This research-based reading intervention has helped millions of students become fluent readers and make solid gains in comprehension and vocabulary.

Google Read&Write  This Chrome extension provides both text-to-speech and speech-to-text tools to assist with reading, writing, and studying.

Speechify  An application that reads printed text. The goal of Speechify, created by a person with dyslexia, is to ensure that reading is not a barrier to learning.

Explode the Code  Data-driven phonics instruction online. Research-based individualized instruction with ongoing progress monitoring and reporting.

Bookshare  With an e-book library of nearly one million titles, Bookshare makes reading easier for people with diverse reading and learning styles.

Grammarly  This Chrome extension assists with spelling and grammar in one’s work, but also assists with style and tone in a given piece of writing.

**Children’s Literature With Characters who Learn Differently**

Fish in a Tree  by Lynda Mullaly Hunt
Save Me a Seat  by Sarah Weeks and Gita Varadarajan
Out of My Mind  by Sharon M. Draper
Brown Girl Dreaming  by Jaqueline Woodson
Two-Minute Drill  by Mike Lupica
The Wild Book  by Margarita Engle
The Truth as Told by Mason Buttle  by Leslie Connor
Hank Zipzer series  by Henry Winkler
Percy Jackson series  by Rick Riordan
My Life as a Book series  by Janet Tashjian
Becoming Muhammad Ali  by James Patterson and Kwame Alexander
Thank You, Mr. Falker  by Patricia Polacco
My Name is Brain/Brian  by Jeanne Betancourt