



This Service Provider Referral List was assembled by the Rocky Mountain Branch of the IDA to help parents and other community members find professional services through our organization. All listed providers hold memberships to IDA at the Professional, Corporate, or Special School level, and have agreed to be a point of contact. Each person, business, or special school has been vetted by our organization and deemed to be “highly qualified” to provide the services listed in their entry.

While the **IDA-RMB does not recommend or endorse any individual, business, school, or program**, the following list of local professionals is available to aid you in your search for testing, tutoring, and other support services. Please contact the individual providers to check on their availability and to answer any questions you may have about their practices. We encourage you to speak with multiple providers on this list in order to make the best choice to fit your individual needs. In your search, you may find the IDA fact sheet on [Evaluating Professionals](#) helpful.

*Tutors/therapists/dyslexia specialists and diagnosticians/psychologists who would like to be listed in the IDA-RMB Service Provider Directory, and who are also Professional/Corporate Level IDA members, should complete our application found at [www.idarmb.org/referral-apply](http://www.idarmb.org/referral-apply). Special schools or other types of providers will need to contact us at [ida\\_rmb@yahoo.com](mailto:ida_rmb@yahoo.com) for information on how to apply.*

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## Denver Central Tutors

Name and/or Company	Services/Grade Levels Served	Email/Website	Phone	City	Will Travel	Online/ Video
<b>Nicolas Clausen</b> <i>Summit Reading Center</i>	Reading, Written Language, Math Pre-K—Adult	<a href="mailto:nclausen@summitrc.com">nclausen@summitrc.com</a> <a href="http://www.summitrc.com">www.summitrc.com</a>	303-499-9729	Denver	Yes	Yes
<b>Eileen Conroy, SLP</b>	Reading, Written Language, Math, Speech/Language Pre-K—Adult	<a href="mailto:esconroy@comcast.net">esconroy@comcast.net</a>	303-875-5264	Denver	Yes	
<b>Ana Dodson</b>	Reading, Written Language Pre-K—5	<a href="mailto:anad92@gmail.com">anad92@gmail.com</a>	720-234-1946	Denver	Yes	Yes
<b>Elise Edelson Katch, MA, LCSW</b>	Reading, Written Language, Math Counseling/Therapy Pre-K—Adult	<a href="mailto:elise@ekatch.com">elise@ekatch.com</a>	303-759-8200	Denver		
<b>Ruth Levisohn, CCC-SLP</b>	Reading, Written Language, Speech/ Language, Educational Diagnostician Pre-K—12	<a href="mailto:ruth@denverspeech.com">ruth@denverspeech.com</a>	303-756-0280 ext 102	Denver		
<b>Robin Litt, Ph.D.</b> (in Experimental Psychology) <i>Rocky Mountain Literacy and Child Development</i>	Reading, Written Language Pre-K—12	<a href="mailto:robin@rockymountainliteracy.com">robin@rockymountainliteracy.com</a> <a href="http://www.rockymountainliteracy.com">www.rockymountainliteracy.com</a>	720-260-0666	Denver		Yes
<b>Jay Mayer, M.Ed., A/AOGPE, CERI-SLDI</b>	Reading, Written Language K—5	<a href="mailto:jaymayer64@gmail.com">jaymayer64@gmail.com</a>	303-916-1465	Denver	Yes	
<b>Shari Most, M.Ed., A/AOGPE, CERI-SLDI</b> <i>CAGS Reading</i>	Reading, Written Language K—Adult	<a href="mailto:sharimost@gmail.com">sharimost@gmail.com</a>	978-852-0634	Denver	Yes	
<b>Jennifer Pelcyger, M.Ed.</b> <i>Dyslexia Solutions</i>	Reading, Written Language, Organization/Study Skills K—Adult	<a href="mailto:jen@dyslexiasolutionsofcolorado.com">jen@dyslexiasolutionsofcolorado.com</a> <a href="http://www.dyslexiasolutionsofcolorado.com">www.dyslexiasolutionsofcolorado.com</a>	720-291-3763	Denver		Yes
<b>Debra Schlicht Morris, M.A., CERI-SLDI</b>	Reading K—Adult	<a href="mailto:morrisian@aol.com">morrision@aol.com</a>	720-201-2211	Denver		
<b>Elenn Steinberg, CERI-SLDI</b>	Reading, Written Language, Organization/Study Skills K—12	<a href="mailto:elenn.steinberg@gmail.com">elenn.steinberg@gmail.com</a>	720-937-8242	Denver	Yes	Yes

## North and West Metro Area Tutors (Arvada, Evergreen, Golden, Morrison, Lakewood, Westminster, Wheatridge)

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<b>Rita Stevenson, M.A.Ed., CERI-SLDS, C/AOGPE</b>	Reading, Written Language, Math PreK—Adult	<a href="mailto:ritastevenson66@gmail.com">ritastevenson66@gmail.com</a>	303-884-2817	Golden		
<b>Karen Beach</b>	Reading, Written Language, Math K—Adult	<a href="mailto:karenbeach@hotmail.com">karenbeach@hotmail.com</a>	303-697-5408	Morrison/ Littleton		

**South & East Metro Area Tutors** (Aurora, Castle Rock, Centennial, Englewood, Greenwood Village, Highlands Ranch, Littleton, Lone tree, Parker)

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Sandra Barter, M.Ed.	Reading, Written Language, Math Pre-K—5	<a href="mailto:sandrabarter@comcast.net">sandrabarter@comcast.net</a>	303-770-8148	Centennial	Yes	Yes
Jeanne Rutgers, M.A., CALP	Reading, Written Language K—8	<a href="mailto:jrutgers@303learning.com">jrutgers@303learning.com</a>	720-272-5893	Centennial		
Kirsten Braley	Reading K—12	<a href="mailto:info@denvertestprep.com">info@denvertestprep.com</a>	303-551-0106	Greenwood Village		
Ruth Levisohn, CCC-SLP	Reading, Written Language, Speech/Language Educational Diagnostician Pre-K—12	<a href="mailto:ruth@denverspeech.com">ruth@denverspeech.com</a>	303-756-0280 ext 102	Greenwood Village		
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Marjorie Baldwin, M.A.	Reading, Written Language, Math, Organization/Study Skills K—7	<a href="mailto:margesbaldwin@gmail.com">margesbaldwin@gmail.com</a>	303-919-7074	Highlands Ranch		
Mary Russell, M.A., CALT	Reading, Written Language, Organization/Study Skills K—Adult	<a href="mailto:maryprussell@comcast.net">maryprussell@comcast.net</a>	303-470-9487 303-386-5475	Highlands Ranch	Yes	
Mary Spencer, M.Ed.	Reading 1st—12th	<a href="mailto:missmaryspencer@gmail.com">missmaryspencer@gmail.com</a>	720-341-4400	Highlands Ranch		
Carol Stather	Reading, Written Language K—Adult	<a href="mailto:achievereading@gmail.com">achievereading@gmail.com</a>	720-328-9229	Highlands Ranch		
Carolee Dean, M.S., CCC-SLP-CALP	Reading, Written Language, Speech/Oral Language K-12	<a href="mailto:carolee@wordtravelliteracy.com">carolee@wordtravelliteracy.com</a> <a href="http://www.wordtravelliteracy.com">www.wordtravelliteracy.com</a>	505-238-8940	Littleton		Yes
Mel Manion-Towner, CCC-SLP, M.S. (in Spec. Ed.)	Reading, Written Language, Math, Speech/Language 1st—Age 21	<a href="mailto:mmaniontowner1@gmail.com">mmaniontowner1@gmail.com</a> <a href="http://www.thinkingtherapyslp.com">www.thinkingtherapyslp.com</a>	303-638-6468	Littleton		
Cynthia Herzl, SLP	Reading, Written Language, Speech/Language K—12	<a href="mailto:cmewherzl@msn.com">cmewherzl@msn.com</a>	720-985-8538	Littleton	Yes	
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**Boulder Area Tutors** (*Boulder, Niwot, Broomfield, Westminster, Lafayette, Louisville, Dacono, Erie, Ward*)

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<b>Catherine R. Brown, M.Ed.</b>	Reading, Written Language, Organization/Study Skills K-8	<a href="mailto:crbrown1061@gmail.com">crbrown1061@gmail.com</a>	303-746-2507	Boulder		Yes
<b>Mary Alice Ward, CALP</b> <i>Boulder Dyslexia Therapy</i>	Reading, Written Language K-12	<a href="mailto:mimi.ward1@gmail.com">mimi.ward1@gmail.com</a> <a href="http://www.boulderdyslexia.com">www.boulderdyslexia.com</a>	303-819-2814	Boulder		Yes
<b>Diane Talbot, M.A.,A/AOGPE, CERI-SLDI,</b> <i>Spiral Skills Tutoring and Academic Coaching</i>	Reading, Written Language, Math, Assistive Technology K-Adult	<a href="mailto:diane@spiralskillstutoring.com">diane@spiralskillstutoring.com</a> <a href="http://www.spiralskillstutoring.com">www.spiralskillstutoring.com</a>	720-308-5040	Boulder		Yes
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<b>Margie Thompson, M.A. CCC-SLP</b>	Reading, Speech/Language K-5	<a href="mailto:thompsoje@gmail.com">thompsoje@gmail.com</a>	303-665-5924	Lafayette		
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<b>Allyson Stone, M.A.</b>	Reading, Written Language, Math, 2E Pre-K-Adult	<a href="http://www.allysonstone.com">www.allysonstone.com</a>	303-885-1172	Louisville		Yes
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<b>Jenny Heidel, A/AOGPE</b>	Reading, Written Language K-8	<a href="mailto:heideljennifer78@gmail.com">heideljennifer78@gmail.com</a>	303-5962240	Longmont	Yes	
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### Southern Colorado Tutors (Alamosa, Colorado Springs, Fountain, Pueblo)

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<b>The HillSprings Academy</b>	Half-Day Private School for students with LD/ADD 1—8	<a href="mailto:danaeduke@hillsprings.org">danaeduke@hillsprings.org</a> <a href="http://www.hillsprings.org">www.hillsprings.org</a>	719-576-3840	Colorado Springs
<b>Denver Academy</b>	Full-Day Private School for children with learning differences. Tutoring also available K—8	<a href="mailto:info@denveracademy.org">info@denveracademy.org</a> <a href="http://www.denveracademy.org">www.denveracademy.org</a>	303-777-5870	Denver
<b>Vertical Skills Academy</b>	Full-Day Private School for children with diagnosed language-based learning disabilities K—8	<a href="mailto:info@verticalskillsacademy.org">info@verticalskillsacademy.org</a> <a href="http://www.verticalskillsacademy.org">www.verticalskillsacademy.org</a>	303-562-1900	Evergreen
<b>Havern School</b>	Full-Day Private School for children with dyslexia, dysgraphia, dyscalculia, and speech/language impairments. Psychological assessments and OT available K—8	<a href="mailto:info@havernschool.org">info@havernschool.org</a> <a href="http://www.havernschool.org">www.havernschool.org</a>	303-986-4587	Littleton

## Diagnosticians and Clinical Psychologists

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# Key to Service Provider Credential Abbreviations

**AOGPE** – *The Academy of Orton-Gillingham Practitioners and Educators*

- **OGCE/** – Classroom Educator: Bachelor’s, 30 hours coursework, 50 hours supervised practicum.
- **A/** – Associate: Bachelor’s, 60 hours coursework, 100 hours supervised practicum.
- **C/** – Certified: Bachelor’s, 160 hours coursework, 300 hours supervised practicum.
- **F/** – Fellow: Master’s degree, certified at the highest level to tutor, train and supervise others.

**ALTA** – *Academic Language Therapy Association*

- **CALP**—*Certified Academic Language Practitioner*:beginning level, has a bachelor’s degree, a minimum of 45 instructional hours, and a minimum of 60 clinical/teaching hours.
- **CALT**—*Certified Academic Language Therapist*:advanced level, holds a bachelor’s degree, a minimum of 200 instructional hours, and a minimum of 500 MSLE clinical/teaching hours.

**ASHA** – *American Speech-Language-Hearing Association*

- **CCC-SLP**—*Certificate of Clinical Competence in Speech-Language Pathology* is issued through ASHA; requires a master’s degree or higher in Speech-Language Pathology or Communicative Sciences and Disorders and 400 clock-hours of supervised speech/language clinical practice.

**CERI** – *The Center for Effective Reading Instruction*, associated with the *International Dyslexia Association* (IDA). All certificate holders must have a passing score on the KPEERI exam.

- **KPEERI** – Knowledge and Practice Examination for Effective Reading Instruction, offered by CERI.
- **SLDI** –Structured Literacy/Dyslexia Interventionist (fka Dyslexia Practitioner): Bachelor’s degree, 90 hours coursework (assessment, progress monitoring, lesson planning, decoding instruction), passing score on KPEERI exam and practicum portfolio.
- **SLDS** –Structured Literacy/Dyslexia Specialist (fka Dyslexia Therapist): Bachelor’s degree, 135 hours coursework (assessment, progress monitoring, lesson planning, decoding and comprehension instruction, and written language), passing score on KPEERI exam and practicum portfolio.

**Ed.D.** – *Doctorate in Education*

**Ed.S.** – *Education Specialist*; requires 60 instructional hours beyond a master’s degree in a field of education.

**IDA** – *International Dyslexia Association*; The nation's leading professional, credentialing, and scientific organization for researchers, teachers, professionals, and parents dedicated to helping individuals with dyslexia, their families, and those that support them.

**LCSW** – *Licensed Clinical Social Worker*; requires a master’s degree

**M.A.** – *Master of Arts*

**M.A.T.** – *Master of Arts in Teaching*

**M.Ed.** – *Master in Education*

**M.S.** – *Master of Science*

**M.S.Ed.** – *Master of Science in Education*

**MSL(E)** – *Multi-Sensory Structured Language Education*: An overarching term for effective instructional approaches used for students with language-based learning disabilities, including all OG-based programs. *MSL* is multi-sensory, explicit, direct, cumulative, intensive, and focused on the structure of language.

**NCSP** – *Nationally Certified School Psychologist*

**OG** – *Orton-Gillingham*, an approach to reading instruction for students with dyslexia, developed in the the 1930s by neurologist Dr. Samuel T. Orton and educator-psychologist Anna Gillingham. There are many “programs” and tutors that incorporate OG-based methods. An effective OG-based program or tutor will use methods that are multi-sensory, direct, explicit, highly structured and systematic, and diagnostic and prescriptive on an ongoing basis.

**OT** – *Occupational Therapist*; requires a master’s degree

**SLP** – *Speech-Language Pathologist*: works to prevent, assess, diagnose, and treat speech, language, social communication, cognitive-communication, and swallowing disorders in children and adults.

**Ph.D.** – *Doctorate in a particular field of study*

**WRS** – *Wilson Reading Systems*