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Dyslexia Advocacy Day in Annapolis

Community Participation Wanted! Tell Your Legislators about Dyslexia

Annapolis, MD (March 4, 2015) - On Wednesday, March 18, Decoding Dyslexia Maryland (DD-MD) will host a Dyslexia Advocacy Day in Annapolis, Maryland Legislature, Room 145-Baltimore City Delegation Room, Lowe House Office Building. The goal of Dyslexia Advocacy Day is to educate legislators about dyslexia, dyslexia interventions, and the need for teacher training.

Families, educators, and friends affected by dyslexia are invited to participate. Plans include a “meet and greet”, a one-hour legislative briefing on dyslexia and why it should matter to state legislators, along with information and handouts on how to speak with legislators. Attendees will, in advance, schedule meetings with their district State Delegates and Senators to talk about dyslexia. Talking points will be provided by DD-MD.

DD-MD supports three bills pending in the State Legislature. House Bill 278 and Senate Bill 15 would establish a Task Force to Study Dyslexia Education Programs in Maryland public schools. House Bill 763 would establish a Task Force to study Effectiveness of Teacher Education Programs in the Instruction of Reading.

Several community partners have joined DD-MD in support of Dyslexia Advocacy Day. Community partners include The Summit School, the D.C. capital area branch of the International Dyslexia Association, and Atlantic Seaboard Dyslexia Education Center (ASDEC).

To register to attend or to become a community partner, go to:

www.dyslexiasomd.weebly.com/dyslexia-advocacy-day.html

Decoding Dyslexia MD (DD-MD) is part of a national, grassroots movement in 50 states that advocates for students with dyslexia and reading struggles. www.decodingdyslexiamd.weebly.com

The Summit School, located in Edgewater, MD, serves bright students with dyslexia and other learning differences in grades 1-8. Students gain self-confidence and the skills they need to succeed in high school and beyond.

<http://www.thesummitschool.org>

The International Dyslexia Association (IDA) is an international organization that concerns itself with the complex issues of dyslexia. www.dcida.org

Atlantic Seaboard Dyslexia Education Center (ASDEC) was founded to help dyslexic children and adults overcome potentially life-long barriers to learning. www.asdec.org

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