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Nearly 300 classroom teachers, tutors, parents, students, and others participated in professional development trainings and community outreach workshops offered by HIDA. In addition, HIDA’s executive director and volunteers distributed newly revised and updated resource publications about dyslexia at community resource fairs and other events throughout the State.

- Parent workshop entitled “Helping Dyslexic Students Write Essays” facilitated by Kathy Ferguson, Ph.D. (author of A Resource Guide About Dyslexia for People in Hawai’i)
- Dyslexia overview and simulations presented to college students working toward dual certification in general and special education
- Collaborated with Wayland Baptist University Hawai’i Campus to offer a three-workshop series on helping struggling readers; more than 50 parents, teachers and others attended each of the three workshops
- Co-sponsored with Kumukela Academy of Innovative Learning:
  - 4-day workshop for university faculty: “Using the O-G Approach in Classrooms”
  - 1-week courses in Orton-Gillingham (O-G) at the Associate and Classroom Educator levels
  - Year-long practicum for classroom teachers who utilize O-G instruction in their classrooms, in small group interventions and in 1:1 after school tutorials
- Co-sponsored presentation with Jeanne Warburton Literacy Clinic of Kauai: “Literacy Information for Panicked Parents”

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