

Resources in Hawai‘i

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HIDA and IDA

Hawai'i Branch of the International Dyslexia Association (HIDA)

The Hawai'i Branch of the International Dyslexia Association (HIDA) is a non-profit organization formed to increase public awareness of dyslexia in the state of Hawai'i. We have been serving individuals with dyslexia, their families, and professionals in our communities since 1986. For further information on HIDA's history, including the dedicated, hard-working individuals whose labor has brought us to our current standing as a recognized community leader in the area of learning disabilities, please visit our website at HI.DyslexiaIDA.org. At our website you will also find resource lists for private diagnostic assessment and tutoring and a calendar of upcoming workshops and other community events.

International Dyslexia Association (IDA)

HIDA is a branch of the International Dyslexia Association (IDA), the oldest learning disabilities organization in the United States. Founded in 1949, the IDA is a non-profit organization with more than 9,000 members, more than 40 branch offices, and 25 Global Partners throughout the world. IDA sponsors research on neurological, educational, and developmental dimensions of dyslexia. The organization hosts an annual conference that brings together several hundred experts on all aspects of dyslexia with approximately 3,000 parents, educators, and individuals with dyslexia eager to learn how dyslexia works. IDA is also a civil rights organization, fighting in court and through the legislative process for the rights of persons with dyslexia. Membership in IDA includes the scientific, peer-reviewed journal *Annals of Dyslexia*, and the quarterly newsletter *Perspectives*, which contains abbreviated reports on recent scientific studies for the lay reader. Please visit the IDA website at DyslexiaIDA.org for more information.

K-12 schools

Assets School

Website: assets-school.org

Phone: (808) 423-1356

Assets School is an independent school on O'ahu whose mission is to serve gifted and capable students, specializing in those with dyslexia and other language-based learning differences. Assets School provide a strength-based program, complemented by outreach and training, that empowers students to become effective learners and confident self-advocates.

Navy Hale Keiki School

Website: nhks.org

Email: adminassistant@nhks.org

Phone: (808) 423-1727

Navy Hale Keiki School (NHKS) is an independent school on O'ahu whose student population is comprised, on average, of 95% military dependents, representing parents from every branch of service, including reservists and DOD employees, as well as the local civilian population. NHKS uses Orton-Gillingham for its Language Arts curriculum which grounds their students with a strong fundamental knowledge of phonics, spelling, and writing conventions.



The Hawai'i Department of Education (DOE)

Webcite: <http://www.hawaiipublicschools.org/TeachingAndLearning/SpecializedPrograms/SpecialEducation/Pages/home.aspx>

DOE Special Education Section phone numbers (all area codes are 808):

305-9806	State
733-4940	Honolulu: Farrington-Kaiser-Kalani Complexes
733-4977	Honolulu: Kaimuki-McKinley-Roosevelt Complexes
421-4231	Central: Aiea-Moanalua-Radford Complexes
622-6432	Central: Leilehua-Mililani-Waiialua Complexes
675-0335	Leeward: Campbell-Kapolei Complexes
668-5746	Leeward: Nanakuli-Waianae Complexes
675-0384	Leeward: Pearl City-Waipahu Complexes
233-5717	Windward: Castle-Kahuku Complexes
233-5710	Windward: Kailua-Kalaheo Complexes
974-4535	East Hawai'i Complex
775-8895	North Hawai'i Complex
982-4252	South Hawai'i Complex
323-0015	West Hawai'i Complex
274-3504	Kaua'i
873-3520 ext. 267	Maui: Lahaina-Hana-Lanai Complexes
873-3520 ext. 268	Maui: Kekaulike Complex
264-5880	Maui: Maui High Complex
873-3520 ext. 278	Maui: Baldwin Complex
553-1723	Maui: Molokai-Lanai Complexes

Variety School

Website: variety.school.org

Email: info@variety.school.org

Phone: (808) 732-2835

Variety School of Hawai'i educates children, teens and young adults ages 5 to 22 with learning differences. The school offers an integrated educational and therapeutic program designed to promote academic, communicative, social, behavioral, independent skills and work skills.

The University of Hawai'i

There is a disability service provider on each of the ten campuses of the University of Hawai'i system. For a summary of assistive technology available at UH campuses, visit <http://www.hawaii.edu/access/at.html#top>.

Hawai'i Community College

Counseling, Advising and Support Services Center

Ha'awi Kokua Program

Website: <https://hawaii.hawaii.edu/disability-services>

Manono Campus

Ha'awi Kokua Center

Building 388 – Room 104

Email: hawccds@hawaii.edu

Phone: (808) 934-2825



Pāalamanui Campus

Office of Student Services

Building D – Student Services Office

Email: hawccds@hawaii.edu

Phone: (808) 969-8823

Promotes equal opportunity for individuals with disabilities to gain the maximum benefit from their educational/learning experience by participating fully in their regular courses and activities at Hawai'i Community College. Services include:

- Priority registration if physical access is a concern
- Relocation of classes, as the last resort to ensure physical access
- Handicapped parking stalls
- Assistance in accessing library material
- Materials provided in alternate formats such as assistance with RFB tape textbooks, or enlargement of printed material
- Liaison with Hawai'i County Department of Education Special Education (DOE SPED) high school transition teachers and counselor, to ensure successful transition

The Learning Center

200 W. Kawili Street

Hilo, HI 96720-4091

UH-Hilo Upper Campus, Library, lower level

Phone: (808) 934-2530

The Learning Center provides tutoring and support for students to develop into independent, active learners. The Center offers labs in reading, writing, math, English as a second language, tutoring in content areas, study skills development, study space, and a computer lab. These services are provided to all students at both Hawai'i Community College and UH-Hilo, and are particularly useful for learners with dyslexia.

Honolulu Community College

Student ACCESS

Building 5, Room 107B

874 Dillingham Boulevard

Honolulu, HI 96817-4598

Email: accessshcc-l@lists.hawaii.edu

Phone: (808) 844-2392 voice/text

Student ACCESS provides an array of services to students with documented disabilities, including academic planning; counseling; assistance with registration; referral to other appropriate services; mobility assistance and elevator key authorization for some buildings; building access and evacuation plan; lockers; special equipment (talking calculators, amplification devices, Reading Edge); sign language interpreters; taped text; enlargement of printed materials; chairs and adjustable desks; testing accommodations; note takers; scribes; readers, lab assistants; computer access programs, keyboards, and work stations; large screen monitor; closed circuit TV.

Kapi'olani Community College

Disability Support Services Office (DSSO)

Ilima Building, Room 107

4303 Diamond Head Road

Honolulu, HI 96816-4421

Email: kapdss@hawaii.edu

Phone: (808) 734-9552

The Disability Support Services Office provides a variety of services to students with documented disabilities, including counseling, liaison/referral to community agencies, registration assistance, note-takers, readers, auxiliary aids (tape recorders, calculators, and amplification and magnification devices), accessible furniture and technology, alternative formats (including conversion of instructional material to Braille or audio tapes), and extended time for testing in a distraction-free environment.

Kaua'i Community College

Disability Services

Campus Center Room 206

3-1901 Kaunualii Highway

Lihue, HI 96766

Phone: (808) 245-8212

Students with documented disabilities can gain access to services, including alternative formats for materials, note takers, sign language interpreters, and testing accommodations.

Learning Center and College Success Program

Learning Resource Center Building 3-1901

Kaunualii Highway

Lihue, HI 96766

Phone: (808) 245-8346

The Learning Center makes available services that assist all students, and are particularly useful to dyslexic students, including individual and group tutoring in several subject areas; labs in writing, math, science, and computers; help with active reading; etc.

Lanai Education Center

329 7th Street

Lanai City, HI 96763

Phone: (808) 565-7266

The Lanai Education Center offers classes on Lanai through Maui Community College. Students with dyslexia are referred to the Disability Student Services at UH Maui College (see below).

Leeward Community College

Kako'o 'Iki (KI) Program

96-045 Ala 'Ike L-208

Pearl City, HI 96782

Email: kprogram@hawaii.edu

Phone: (808) 455-0421

The KI Program provides accommodations and support to students with documented disabilities, including audio textbooks; note takers; extended time; tape recorders; informational handouts on success skills in college; assistive technology with voice recognition software and free training in how to use it; counseling and guidance.

Math Learning Resource Center

Math and Science Building Room 204

Website: emedia.leeward.hawaii.edu/mathlab/

The Math Learning Resource Center provides assistance to any student taking math classes at LCC. Provides tutoring, worksheets, videos, graphic and scientific calculators, computers with software for algebra and pre-algebra classes, and a library. Technology and one-on-one assistance are particularly helpful to dyslexic learners.

UH Maui College (UHMC)

Disability Services Counselor

Disabilities Services Office

310 W Ka'ahumanu Avenue

Kahului, HI 96732

Phone: (808) 984-3227

Students with documented disabilities can receive services, including personal, academic and career counseling; admissions, financial aid, and registration assistance; campus orientation; tutorial, reader, note-taker, and interpreter; campus accessibility map; auxiliary services; 2 and 4 track tape players, assistive technologies, voice recognition software, accessible computer equipment, etc.

The Learning Center

310 West Ka'ahumanu Avenue

Kahului, HI 96732-1617

Email: mic-tlc@hawaii.edu

Phone: (808) 994-3240

The Learning Center provides services that benefit all students, and are particularly useful for dyslexic students, including test-taking skills, study skills, writing labs, tutoring in various subjects, time management, reading skills, note taking, and stress management.

Molokai Education Center

375 Kamehameha V Highway

Kaunakakai, HI 97648

The Molokai Education Center offers credit and non-credit courses, certificate and associate degree programs as part of UH Maui College. (see UHMC listing)



UH at Hilo (UHH)

University Disability Services (UDS)

Hale Kauano'e A Wing Lounge

200 West Kawili Street

Hilo, HI 96720-4091

Email: shirachi@hawaii.edu

Phone: (V) (808) 933-0816

TTY: (808) 933-3334

University Disability Services (UDS) provides services to students with documented disabilities. Services include counseling, accommodation, and access services, such as 4 track tape recorders, voice-activated tape recorders, Franklin Spelling Ace, Talking Calculator; a variety of assistive technologies available in the UDS office, Student Support Services, and libraries; distraction-free testing rooms; etc.

Student Services Support Program (SSSP)

Student Services Building, Room 211

Hilo, HI 96720-4091

Phone: (808) 974-7616

Student Support Services provides academic tutoring, help with studying and test taking, help with researching and writing papers, math lab, and writing assistance. These services are available to all students and are particularly valuable to dyslexic students.

UH Mānoa (UHM)

KOKUA Program (Kahi O Ka Ulu 'Ana: "Place of Growing")

Queen Lili'uokalani Center for Student Services, Room 013

2600 Campus Road

Honolulu, HI 96822

Email: kokua@hawaii.edu

Phone: (808) 956-7511 or (808) 956-7612 (voice/text)

The KOKUA Program is the UH-Mānoa office for students with disabilities. KOKUA serves graduate and undergraduate students with learning, physical, psychiatric, and other documented disabilities. KOKUA provides disability access services to students on a case-by-case basis, and students are not charged for these services. A student's disability status is considered confidential information and is only disclosed with the student's permission.

KOKUA aims to provide equal opportunity to disabled students. Access services often provided to students with learning disabilities include academic counseling; alternate media; assistance with course substitution for foreign language requirement; assistive technologies; campus intervention; community liaison; faculty liaison; lockers and study facilities; note-taking; priority registration; proof reading; testing accommodations; etc. Other access services may be available depending upon the individual student's strengths and disability-related need.



Center on Disability Studies (CDS)
College of Education
Phone: (808) 956-5011

The Center on Disability Studies focuses upon development and conduct of interdisciplinary education/training, research, demonstration and evaluation, and university and community service.

The Learning Assistance Center
Queen Lili'uokalani Center for Student Services, Room 306
Email: learning@hawaii.edu
Phone: (808) 956-3456

The Learning Assistance Center provides academic counseling services to assist students in developing learning skills to increase academic success. Students can participate in facilitated study groups or individual sessions to become more proficient in managing time, reading, writing, taking notes, taking exams, and enhancing academic motivation. Tutoring available in specific courses varies, generally including introductory math, statistics, chemistry, biology, religion and economics. Counseling and support services for students with learning disabilities are also provided.

Other learning centers at UH-Mānoa that, while not specifically for dyslexic students, provide individualized attention to learning that will benefit all students:

The Writing Workshop
Department of English
415 Kuykendall Hall
Honolulu, HI 96822
Phone: (808) 956-7619

Provides limited assistance with writing to all UHM students.

Language Learning Center
256 Moore Hall
1890 East-West Road
Honolulu, HI 96822

Assists students in learning foreign languages.

GEE Technology Learning Center and Computer Lab
Email: tim-info@hawaii.edu

Supports students in Travel Industry Management.

UH West O'ahu (UHWO)
Center for Student Access
Email: hirsbrun@hawaii.edu
Phone: (808) 689-2935

Students submit a request for services to the Center for Student Access. Requests may be completed online, over the phone, or in person at a meeting with the UHWO ADA Coordinator. All requests are reviewed to determine what types of accommodations are reasonable and/or necessary for the individual student's success.

Windward Community College

Disabilities Counselor

Hale 'Akoakoa Rm 213

45-720 Kea'ahala Road

Kane'ohe, HI 96744

Email: lemke@hawaii.edu

Phone: (808) 235-7448

Apointments: (808) 235-7413

Students with a disability, including dyslexia, are encouraged to contact the Disability Counselor to discuss their needed accommodations. Eligible students will work together with the Disability Counselor to develop the student's accommodation plan.

Private colleges and universities

Brigham Young University Hawai'i (BYUH)

Services for Students with Special Needs

BYU Hawai'i Counseling Services

55-220 Kulanui St, Box 1837

Laie, HI 96762-1294

Phone: (808) 293-3999; 293-3518; 293-3578

Students with documented disabilities are assisted with classroom and housing accommodations; advocacy and assistance communicating with instructors; ordering textbooks on tape; assistance locating tutors, readers, scribes, note takers; testing accommodations; computer equipment with assistive technology; distraction-free rooms for studying and taking exams; etc.

Chaminade University of Honolulu

Counseling Center

3140 Waiialae Avenue

Honolulu, HI 96816-1576

Phone: (808) 735-4845

Students contact the Counseling Center to submit documentation for review to determine if they qualify for ADA accommodations. Students who qualify for ADA accommodations sign an ADA agreement and each semester, contact the ADA Coordinator to state which instructors are to be notified about their accommodations.

Hawai'i Pacific University (HPU)

Accessibility Services

Center for Academic Success

1060 Bishop Street (LB) 6th Floor

Honolulu, HI 96813

Email: access@HPU.edu

The office of Accessibility Services, under the administration of the Center for Academic Success, coordinates and implements reasonable accommodations and disability-related services for HPU students.



Wayland Baptist University Hawai'i Campus

95-1091 Ainamakua Drive

Mililani, HI 96789

Phone: (806) 291-3765

The Coordinator of Counseling Services serves as the coordinator of students with a disability and should be contacted concerning accommodation requests. Documentation of a disability must accompany any request for accommodations.

Workforce

Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR)

Website: humanservices.hawaii.gov/vr/

Hawai'i Island

Hilo: (808) 974-6444

Kona: (808) 323-0025

Kaua'i

Lihue: (808) 274-3333

Maui County

Maui, Molokai and Lanai: (808) 984-8350

O'ahu

Honolulu: (808) 586-4824

Kapolei: (808) 692-8604

The Division of Vocational Rehabilitation is a statewide resource for individuals with disabilities who are seeking employment. Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) counselors work with their clients to set employment goals, make plans for reaching those goals, and identify services needed to prepare for and find employment.

Armed Forces

The Armed Services Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP)

Each branch has an Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) which provides support, resources, and referrals for military families with special medical and educational needs.

Army Community Service Exceptional Family Member Program

US Army Garrison Hawai'i

Bldg 2091, Schofield Barracks

Phone: (808) 655-4777; -4227 (main number)

Army Exceptional Family Member Program

Tripler Army Medical Center

Department of Pediatrics (MCHK-PEF)

3rd floor, B Wing

1 Jarrett White Road, Honolulu

Phone: 808-433-4441

Coast Guard Exceptional Family Member Program

Phone: (808) 842-2085

Marine Exceptional Family Member Program
Marine and Family Services MCBH
Bldg 219, MCBH Kane'ohe Bay
Phone: 808-257-0290

Navy and Air Force Exceptional Family Member Program
Military and Family Support Center
Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam
Phone: (808) 474-1999

Prisons

Education Specialist

Department of Public Safety
Education Program Services
919 Ala Moana Blvd #405
Honolulu, HI 96813
Phone: (808) 587-1275

This office oversees the Education Centers in each correctional facility and center in the state. The Education Centers offer a wide range of programs from pre-literacy to GED and some college classes. The Centers conduct some assessments, and administer the Test of Adult Basic Education (TABE) to all inmates, but lack the staff to conduct full professional assessments.

Prisoners can request to go to the Education Centers; some restrictions apply, but the general population usually has access. Friends or family members who are seeking educational resources for an incarcerated individual can contact this office for recommendations. Individuals with dyslexia are heavily overrepresented in the criminal justice system, so it is likely that many prisoners would benefit from multisensory structured language instruction. For a promising account of successful use of MSL instruction in Oregon correctional facilities, see chapter 3 of Lee Sherman and Betsy Ramsey, *The Reading Glitch* (Lanham, MD: Rowman and Littlefield Education, 2006).

Other local resources

Assistive Technology Resource Centers of Hawai'i (ATRC)

Website: atrc.org
Email: atrc-info@atrc.org
Phone: (808) 532-7110

ATRC is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization located on O'ahu that links people with assistive technology (AT). ATRC offers many programs and services, including demonstrating assistive technology, lending devices to "try before you buy," training in technology use, advising on AT in IEP or VR meetings, and providing information and referrals on what to buy and how to pay for it.

Decoding Dyslexia Hawai'i

Facebook: [@DecodingDyslexiaHI](https://www.facebook.com/DecodingDyslexiaHI)
Email: decodingdyslexiahi@gmail.com

Decoding Dyslexia Hawai'i is a grassroots movement driven by Hawai'i families concerned with the limited access to educational interventions for dyslexia.

Dyslexia Center of the Pacific, Inc. (DCP)

Formerly known as the Dyslexia Tutoring Center of Hawaii, Inc. (DTCH)

Website: DyslexiaPacific.org

Email: info@dyslexiapacific.org

Phone: (808) 676-5515

The Dyslexia Center of the Pacific is a non-profit organization whose mission is to raise awareness and educate humanity about dyslexia by providing educational workshops, dyslexia screenings, informational support, and multi-sensory tutoring to empower children and adults to become independent, fluent learners in reading, writing, spelling, handwriting, and mathematics and to guide them to discover their individual talents and strengths, so they may gain life-long skills and become self-advocates. DCP envisions a better informed community where children and adults with dyslexia become independent readers and use their new learned skills in school and the workplace.

Hawai'i Disability Rights Center

Website: hawaiidisabilityrights.org

Email: info@hawaiidisabilityrights.org

Phone: (808) 949-2922, 1 (800) 882-1057

The mission of the Corporation is to protect and promote the human, civil and legal rights of individuals with disabilities through the provision of information and advocacy. This Center is Hawai'i's designated Client Assistance Program under the Rehabilitation Act, and also our designated Protection and Advocacy System for People with Disabilities, serving all disabilities as authorized under several federal statutes. The Center provides advocacy and representation for parents of children who are eligible for 504 plans or IDEA educational benefits, including IEPs. Assistance is available in determining eligibility for services, acquisition of services through the IEP process and 504 plans, transition plans, placement, and representation at administrative hearings. The Center is particularly interested in disciplinary action such as arrest, suspension, and expulsion resulting from disability-related behavior.

The Center works in eight basic issue or problem areas: care and treatment; citizenship, including accessibility and voting rights; education; employment, especially reasonable accommodations; freedom of association; housing; justice, including emancipation from unneeded guardianships; and programs and services addressing legal entitlements. Services are always free and available to persons with any disability at any age.

Hawai'i Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped

Phone: (808) 733-8444

The library has audiobooks (digital and recorded cassettes) available for borrowing by eligible persons, including individuals who have medical documentation of dyslexia. Contact the library to complete a registration form. There is no charge for their services.

The Hawai'i State Public Library System

Website: www.librarieshawaii.org

The state library offers eBooks, audiobooks and eMagazines. Learn how to download eBooks, audiobooks and more at this website: <http://www.librarieshawaii.org/overdrive>. Digital materials can be played on most smartphones, MP3 players, tablets and other devices.

Kumukela Academy of Innovative Learning

Email: svoit@kumukela.org

Phone: (808) 989-5852

Kumukela Academy of Innovative Learning is a statewide education non-profit that promotes best teaching practices for literacy and language, and learning outcomes for all students, including students with dyslexia or other learning disabilities. Kumukela offers teacher training and tutoring using Orton-Gillingham (OG) and other Structured Literacy (aka MSL) approaches.

Leadership in Disabilities and Achievement of Hawai'i (LDAH)

Website: ldahawaii.org

Email: rrowe@ldahawaii.org

Phone: (808) 536-9684

LDAH is the Parent Training & Information Center for the state of Hawai'i and the entire Pacific Region of federated states and territories. LDAH has served Hawai'i's parents and families of children with or at risk of disabilities, and the professionals who serve those families, since September 1968. LDAH provides training, technical assistance, and advocacy to help parents ensure the educational rights of their children with disabilities. LDAH provides early childhood health and development screenings on O'ahu to detect and address potential problems in two through five year old children to ensure they are fully ready for kindergarten entry.

Pacific Resources for Education and Learning (PREL)

Website: www.prel.org

Email: askprel@prel.org

Phone: (808) 441-1300

Toll-free Phone: (800) 377-4773 U.S.

PREL is an independent, nonprofit 501(c)(3) corporation that serves the educational community in Hawai'i, the U.S.-affiliated Pacific islands, the continental U.S., and other countries throughout the world. PREL bridges the gap between research, theory, and practice in education and works collaboratively with schools and school systems to provide services that range from curriculum development to assessment and evaluation. PREL services in Hawai'i and the Pacific include school improvement planning, professional development services, research and development, and production and delivery of products and services.

Side By Side Ministry

Email: sidebyside@inspire.church

Phone: (808) 227-7764

A parent support group for parents whose children have learning disabilities. Monthly 2-hour group meetings offer support, resources and fellowship. Each meeting also features a speaker from the learning disabilities community to educate parents on various topics of interest.



Special Parent Information Network (SPIN)

Website: spinhawaii.org/

Email: spin@doh.hawaii.gov

Phone: (808) 586-8126

The Special Parent Information Network (SPIN) is a parent to parent organization in Hawai'i that provides resources, support and information for families with children and young adults with disabilities and the professionals who serve them. SPIN provides a free electronic quarterly newsletter with current events and trends, a "warm" line of parent-to-parent support and understanding, information about community resources and an annual conference. SPIN is a unique partnership between Disability and Communication Access Board and the Department of Education.





HAWAI'I BRANCH - HIDA

Website: HI.DyslexialDA.org
Email: info.HI@DyslexialDA.org
Phone: (808) 538-7007