

Mary L. Morelli

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RECENT EXPERIENCE

Special Needs Program Chair and Resource Teacher, St. Vincent de Paul School, 1999–Present

- Provides **multi-sensory, Slingerland instruction** simultaneously through the kinesthetic, auditory and visual modalities to assist the child in becoming an **independent learner**
- **Remediates oral and written language** through phonological awareness, phonics, spelling, composition, decoding, vocabulary and comprehension instruction
- Provides **organization strategies and study skills** for students with executive function and attention deficit disorder
- **Advocates for the children** with learning needs and encourages the child to **self-advocate**
- Promotes **early identification** of all students' learning strengths and weaknesses through speech, language and fine motor assessment
- **Works collaboratively** with the teaching staff and parents to develop appropriate interventions for the student's individual needs and to measure his/her progress
- Moderates the Eye to Eye Mentoring program for students with LD/ADHD

San Francisco Unified School District (SFUSD) consultant: provides professional development workshops, parent education and student tutorial 2010

Educational Therapy at Professional Level, Remediation and Assessment, 2002-Present

Learning Clinic Educational Therapy Intern, University of California Extension, 2001-2002

Multi-sensory Program Chair and Resource Teacher, Holy Angels School, 1997-2000

Dyslexia Evaluation and Remediation Clinic, Slingerland Specific Language Disability Summer School Teacher, Instructor of teacher training, Co-teacher, Summers 1996-2006

Slingerland Specific Language Disability Instruction, Private Practice and Traveling Resource Specialist, 1995 – Present

PAST EXPERIENCE

Substitute Teacher in English, Lycée Français International, 1992-1995

Substitute Teacher in English, Notre Dame Des Victoires, 1989-1992

Private Tutoring in French, English, & Reading, 1985-1995

High School Teacher in English, French, Russian, European Cultures, History, Math, Balboa High School, 1963-1976

Faculty Class Sponsor, Balboa High School, 1966-1969

Adult Education Teacher in English as a Second Language & Rapid Reading, Alemany Adult School, 1963-1967

CERTIFICATION & TRAINING

Mel Levine Schools' Attuned Certification, 2008

Educational Therapy Certification, University of California Extension, Education Therapy Cohort Program, 2002

Slingerland Multi-Sensory Certification, SLD Slingerland Institute, 5 years

Linda-Mood Bell Visualizing and Verbalizing, Phonological Awareness Training, 2001

Project Read, Phonology, 1996

Fast ForWord Certification, 1995

California Lifetime Teaching Credential, Multi-subject, 1964

EDUCATION

Graduate (250+ units)

- **Educational Therapy Cohort Program**, University of California Extension Berkeley, 2000-2002
- **Slingerland Teacher-Training Course**, Cal State University–Hayward, 1995-2002
- **Russian Language Instruction**, Monterey Institute of Foreign Study, Summers 1964 & 1965
- **English, Italian, French, & Linguistics Classes**, SF State College
- **Russian Language Instruction**, University of San Francisco

Undergraduate

- **Bachelor of Arts**, San Francisco College For Women, 1963
 - ❖ Major in French, Minors in English & Russian, Junior Year Abroad in Fribourg, Switzerland, for French

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Boards & Committees

- Archdiocese of San Francisco committee: SEEDS: Solutions to Effective Educational Discipline
- **Founder and Chair**, Building Educational Solutions Together (BEST), St. Vincent de Paul parent support group that hosts resource fairs and guest speakers, 2004-Present
- Committee for solicitations and exhibitors, Education Revolution Conference, Parent Education Network (PEN) 2008, 2009, 2010
- Committee for early identification and assessment, Parent Educational Network (PEN), 2007
- **Program chair**, San Francisco Association of Educational Therapy Program Study Group, 2004-Present
- Program Committee and National Conference Underwriting Committee, Association of Educational Therapy, 2002-Present
- Archdiocesan Committee for Children with Special Needs, 1997-Present
- Program Chair, Hospitality Chair, & Publications Chair, International Dyslexia Association, 1997-2002
- International Dyslexia Association Board Member, 1997-2002
- Hospitality Committee, International Dyslexia Association Conference, 1998

Conferences

- Association of Educational Therapy National Conferences, 2002-2008
- Brain and Learning Conference, Stanford University, 2007-2010
- The Brain Connection to Education, Stanford University, 2000
- Orton Dyslexia Society/International Dyslexia Association National Conference, 1995-2006
- Mel Levine Conference, In the Way of Learning: Preventing Neurodevelopmental Failure Spirals in Children, 1996

Affiliations

- Association of Educational Therapists
- International Dyslexia Association
- Parent Educational Network
- Children and Adults with Attention Deficit Disorders