

SUPPORT *for* EVIDENCE-BASED LITERACY IN NEW YORK



Legislative List of Asks

FULLY FUND THE NYS DYSLEXIA & DYSGRAPHIA CENTER

ASK: Allocate the required \$2.1 million in the New York State Budget to operationalize the Dyslexia & Dysgraphia Center within NYSED.

- Develop statewide guidance for **early identification of dyslexia and dysgraphia**
- Provide **technical assistance to school districts** implementing evidence-based literacy instruction
- Support **research-aligned professional learning** for educators across New York
- Improve **coordination between general education, special education, and literacy initiatives**

STRONG IMPLEMENTATION OF EARLY LITERACY EDUCATION

ASK: Pass and fully implement A78/S7454 to ensure all districts provide evidence-based literacy instruction and meaningful professional development for PreK–5 teachers.

- Clear criteria defining **evidence-based literacy instruction aligned with reading science**
- **Implementation timelines and benchmarks** for districts statewide
- **Sustained professional learning** for teachers, not one-time training
- Alignment between **instructional programming and state literacy standards**

PASS THE LIBRARIES LITERACY EDUCATION GUIDANCE ACT

ASK: Build bipartisan support to advance A5835/S8044 and ensure the legislation promotes strong alignment with scientifically based literacy practices.

- **Bipartisan sponsorship and passage** of the legislation
- Alignment between **library literacy programming and statewide literacy reform efforts**
- **Consultation with NYSED literacy leadership and credentialed SoR experts** when developing guidance
- **Publicly accessible literacy guidance** to support transparency and consistency