

## Our Training Program

Our systematic language training program strives to increase knowledge and effectiveness in working with students who have dyslexia and language learning delays. It will also benefit all teachers because the techniques are effective with every student.

**Subscriber Course** – A two-day course intended to introduce parents, teachers, and administrators to the Orton-Gillingham approach, the phonology and structure of English, plus the characteristics of dyslexia, multisensory teaching, and lesson planning. *Includes a 1-year membership to AOGPE.*



Our Out-Reach Center on Walnut Avenue in Spruce Pine, NC

**Associate Level Course** – An intensive week-long course for individuals holding a bachelor's degree. It is the basic course in the Orton-Gillingham approach, enabling instruction with better understanding of the structure of language and multisensory teaching. The course comprises an in-depth introduction to phonology, structure of English, characteristics of dyslexia, multisensory teaching, assessment tools, grammar and written expression. It includes interactive demonstrations and activities using the O-G method. A practicum is available upon request (additional cost), which includes observations and mentoring.

**RTI Language Elements** – A research-based approach for teaching reading, writing and spelling to all learning types intended for classroom instructors. The course will better enable educators to understand

structure of our language and teach it in a systematic logical sequence, using multisensory strategies. This course supports research-based language programs; it is not intended to replace existing curriculum. Refer to specific curriculum listed in the associate level course. A classroom practicum is available upon request (additional cost), which includes observations and mentoring. Team teaching and teaching demonstrations are also available upon request. This course aids in your fulfillment of the National Boards.

**Certified Course, Part I** – An additional week-long intensive training that is geared to solidify concepts and theories learned in Associate Level training followed by more in-depth exposure to English structure. More emphasis is placed on assessment analysis, vocabulary and comprehension skills, written expression, and prefixes, roots, and suffixes. A practicum is available (additional cost) which includes observations and mentoring.

**Certified Course, Part II** – This course is the second half of the Certified, which comprises an additional intensive week-long training. The focus is on solidifying gaps in knowledge of the Orton-Gillingham approach. Participants will learn how to engage in more analytical thinking, improve their assessment skills, and develop higher level strategies for college-bound students. At this level, participants extend their focus on morphology, expository writing, vocabulary development, and analogies. Preparing and presenting lectures is also part of the curriculum. A practicum is available upon request (additional cost) which includes observations and mentoring.



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## REGISTRATION FORM

Please complete and return this form along  
with course registration fee to the address below

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone# \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Check the course(s) you wish to attend:

- Subscriber  
 Associate Level     RTI Language Elements  
 Certified Part I     Certified Part II

For course work, list preference of multi-weekends  
or week-long session. For certified course, please  
list your prior training experience and trainers:

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Total hours of previous training \_\_\_\_\_

Total hours of previous practicum \_\_\_\_\_

A non-refundable registration fee of \$50.00 will hold  
your place in the workshop. The full course tuition is due  
on the first day of class. **Please make checks payable to  
Camp Spring Creek** and call us for housing options  
or visit [sprucepinerentals.com](http://sprucepinerentals.com) – 828.766.5032



Camp Spring Creek

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## About the Instructor



**Susie van der Vorst** is the co-founder and Academic Director of Camp Spring Creek in Bakersville, NC. She is also a Fellow of the Academy of Orton-Gillingham Practitioners and Educators, which is a certifying body for instructors of the Orton Gillingham

approach to dyslexia learning disabilities.

Our Training is provided through the camp's Subscriber, Associate, and Certified Level courses, in accordance to the requirements of the Academy of Orton Gillingham Practitioners and Educators. Susie van der Vorst presents locally and nationally, consults with parents, assesses students for learning styles, and tutors students regularly.

Formerly she worked at Kildonan where she was trained by Diana Hanbury King and the Kildonan staff. She helped to establish the Key Learning Center, a division of Carolina Day School, that addresses the needs of dyslexic students by providing 3:1 Orton Gillingham tutorials.

Susie's passion for reaching out and changing the lives of dyslexic children is extraordinary. Susie has been a member of the International Dyslexia Association since 1989. Susie and her husband Steve began Camp Spring Creek for dyslexic kids in 2002.



## Training Dates

Generally we offer an Associate class each fall and spring or as often as there is a need. We offer both Certified classes on demand. We design classes to meet various schedules, often opting for ten intense days or spread out over three long weekends. We can also bring the class to your hometown with a minimum of four participants, provided there is a space we can meet. Please call the camp administrative office to check on dates or design a class that works within your schedule.

## A Note to Participants

Participants should be highly motivated individuals with a desire to become more effective advocates and educators of dyslexic students. These intensive courses provide opportunities for a variety of hands-on experiences designed to advance understanding of the underlying principles and specific procedures of the Orton-Gillingham approach to evaluation and remediation.

The courses offered here are designed to fulfill partial requirements leading to certification by the Academy of Orton-Gillingham Practitioners and Educators. Course work is based on the curriculum and objectives of the Academy (AOGPE).

## Near by Accommodations

[www.sprucepinerentals.com](http://www.sprucepinerentals.com) (special rates)  
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## Camp Spring Creek

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Camp Spring Creek and our training courses do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national or ethnic origin, or gender.



## Orton-Gillingham Training at Camp Spring Creek

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Camp Spring Creek is pleased to offer a variety of workshop courses for professional educators and parents of dyslexic children using the *Orton-Gillingham* approach to reading, writing, and spelling at our full-facility camp near Bakersville, North Carolina.

### Training Courses:

Subscriber • Associate

RTI Language Elements

Certified, Part I • Certified, Part II



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