

Legislative Task Force on Dyslexia Members and Staff

Task Force Member Name	Task Force Position	Appointed by
Voting Members		
Jim Porter, Chair, KSBE	Chairperson	KSBE
Jennifer Bettles, Title Reading Teacher, Herington Elementary, Herington USD 487	Elementary school building-level reading specialist	KSBE
Sarah Brinkley, K-6 Low Incidence Special Education Teacher, Logan Elementary School, Seaman Schools USD 345	Elementary school special education teacher	KSBE
Jaime Callaghan, Director of Student Services, Auburn Washburn USD 437	Licensed psych or speech-language path	Task Force Chair
Angie Schreiber, Center Director, Cradle to Career Literacy Center	Non-profit service provider for children diagnosed with dyslexia	Task Force Chair
Senator Ty Masterson	Senate member	Chairperson and ranking minority member of the Senate Education Committee
Jeri Powers, Reading Specialist Prairie Ridge Elementary School, Desoto USD 232	Elementary school classroom teacher	Chairperson and ranking minority member of the Senate Education Committee
Rep. Brenda Dietrich	House member	Chairperson and ranking minority member of the House Education Committee
Tally Fleming, Teacher LaCygne Elementary School, Prarie View USD 362	Elementary school classroom teacher	Chairperson and ranking minority member of the House Education Committee
Dr. David Hurford, Professor Pittsburg State University	Professor with expertise in effective evidence-based reading practices for dyslexia	Dr. Blake Flanders, KBOR President
Sonja Watkins, Principal, Hugoton USD 210	Public school principal	USA Kansas
Jeanine Phillips, Parent & Founder Fundamental Learning Center, Wichita	Parent of child with a diagnosis of dyslexia	Keys for Networking, Inc.
Jennifer Knight, Parent, Olathe	Parent of child with a diagnosis of dyslexia	Families Together, Inc.
Christina Middleton, Parent & Founder	Parent of child with a diagnosis of dyslexia	Decoding Dyslexia Johnson County
Alisa Matteoni, Parent & Board Member	Parent of child with a diagnosis of dyslexia	International Dyslexia Association KS/MO Branch
Senator Bruce Givens, Special Education Administrator	Member	Kansas Association of Special Education Administrators
Non-voting, Ex-Officio Members		
Laura Jurgensen	KSDE licensed attorney	KSDE
Lori McMillan, Professor, Washburn University School of Law	Licensed attorney familiar with dyslexia	Chairpersons, House and Senate Education Committtees
Mike Burgess, Disability Rights Center of Kansas	Member	Disability Rights Center of Kansas

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