

Houston Independent School District  
Office of Special Populations  
Dyslexia Program Support Services  
**DYSLEXIA TEACHER TRAINING COURSE**

**ESPERANZA (Hope)**  
*A Multisensory Structured Language Program*

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*As a program used for Spanish-speaking students struggling in reading/dyslexia:*

1. This course provides a multisensory, sequential, systematic approach to achieve Spanish literacy with the intent to transfer those skills to English language learning and academics.
2. This course includes methods for teaching phonological awareness skills, methods for direct instruction of the alphabetic principal, reading decoding and comprehension, and writing; methods of direct instruction of spelling rules and application of those rules, receptive and expressive vocabulary instruction.
3. Participants will receive complete program materials: teacher manual, reading, affixes and roots decks, alphabet mats and strips, posters and charts, student notebook, and more.

SK0012		Grades: Pre-K/K	
0020	8:00-3:30	9/29/2009	NW Transportation
0021	8:00-3:30	11/17/2009	Cooley- Auditorium
<b>0022</b>	<b>8:00-3:30</b>	<b>2/2/2010</b>	<b>Cooley - 206</b>
SK0014		Grades: 1st-5th	
0015	8:00-3:30	9/30-10/01/2009	NW Transportation
0016	8:00-3:30	11/18-11/19/2009	Cooley- Rm.202
<b>0017</b>	<b>8:00-3:30</b>	<b>2/3-2/4/2010</b>	<b>Cooley - 202</b>

**Esperanza is offered at no cost to schools**

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