

Strategically Addressing the Needs of Dyslexia (S.A.N.D) Academy

Helpful Information for Administrators

What is S.A.N.D. Academy?

- S.A.N.D. Academy is a component of Extended School Year (ESY)
- S.A.N.D Academy is for any SWD that needs intensive remediation with foundational concepts in the areas of reading and/or mathematics.
- S.A.N.D Academy will provide students explicit instruction on:
 - phonemic awareness
 - letter-sound relationships
 - decoding skills
 - number sense
 - basic mathematic operations

Who would benefit from S.A.N.D. Academy?

- Schools should review all pertinent academic data when evaluating student appropriateness for S.A.N.D Academy including:
 - iReady/F.A.S.T. data
 - intervention data
 - classroom assessments
 - learning loss percentage
- Students should be on a standard curriculum and work at least 2 levels below their current grade level.
- The curriculum presented to students at S.A.N.D. Academy will be foundational in nature.

When & where will S.A.N.D. Academy take place?

- S.A.N.D. Academy will take place from June 20th -July 25th. The start and end time will correspond with the ESY site.
- Every Extended School Year (ESY) site will offer S.A.N.D. Academy. The number of classrooms generated at the site will depend on student enrollment.

Who will be teaching S.A.N.D. Academy?

- ESY Site Administrators are encouraged to hire standard curriculum teachers who have been trained in the current reading and math curriculum.