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Agency: DEPARTMENT STATE HEALTH SERVICES DSHS

First Name: September

Last Name: Wade

Title: Parent

Organization you are affiliated with:

City: Keller

State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed:

As a parent of a dyslexic student in Keller ISD, I am staunchly opposed to elimination of Certified Academic Language Therapists. These individuals have completed extensive training that extends beyond their master's degree, while others are classroom teachers with 6 hours of dyslexia training. These teachers are passionate about helping children like my dyslexic son learn methods and strategies to help him function and read.

The elimination of these specialized certifications will have a dramatic, negative impact on the schools. These specialized teachers provide essential help that students with learning difficulties MUST receive for their long-term success.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Leave the CALT certifications in tact.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree