

LACS Approved Educational Therapists

Jieun Chai - Los Altos Hills

Jieun Chai is a certified educational therapist with a private practice in Los Altos Hills, California. She specializes in **working with elementary and middle school students who have learning disabilities, such as dyslexia**. **Services include** informal assessments, remedial instruction with a focus on reading, tutoring in all subjects, and advocacy.

She completed her undergraduate and graduate studies at Stanford University. She has experience teaching at various private elementary and middle schools in the Bay Area, such as Menlo School, Hillbrook School, and Heritage Academy.

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Deborah Crim - San Jose

Deborah Crim, BCET, has a private practice of educational therapy in downtown San Jose. She works with students in grades 1-12. She specializes in **early literacy for dyslexic students**, using structured literacy methods.

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Meg Galloway - Palo Alto

Meg has worked exclusively with students who have **dyslexia and related differences** for over 20 years. She is trained in the Slingerland Multisensory Language Approach, and individualizes every session for each student she works with.

Her training also includes Lindamood Bell techniques and the University of Kansas Strategic Instruction Model. She is a Certified Academic Language Practitioner through ALTA, and a Certified Dyslexia Interventionist through the Center for Effective Reading Instruction, the certifying organization used by the International Dyslexia Association.

Prior to specializing in dyslexia, she taught in public and non-public schools. She finds joy in **teaching children and youth to successfully read, spell, and write**, while being dedicated to continuing her own professional development.

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Grace Holty- Menlo Park

Grace Holty, Ed.M., M.A., BCET, is an experienced educator and administrator with over twenty years of experience working with learners who approach learning differently. Throughout her career in New York City and the Bay Area, she has worked in independent schools, clinics, and private practice providing **educational therapy and coaching to children, adolescents, young adults, and parents.**

She has extensive experience with assessment, instructional intervention, case management, and coaching. In addition, Grace partners and collaborates with allied professionals (psychologists, psychiatrists, speech and language pathologists, pediatric occupational therapists, pediatric ophthalmologists, and teachers) to fully support a child's learning growth.

Approach and Training:

- Wilson Reading System (Orton-Gillingham based approach)
- Lindamood-Bell Seeing Stars
- Lindamood-Bell Visualizing and Verbalizing
- Handwriting Without Tears
- Great Leaps Reading Fluency Program
- Fast ForWord and Reading Assistant Plus
- Making Math Real
- Executive Functioning Coaching Education & Qualifications
- Ed.M., Reading and Learning Disabilities, Teachers College, Columbia University, New York, NY
- M.A., Learning Disabilities, Teac Teachers College, Columbia University, New York, NY
- AB, Sociology, University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley., CA
- Association of Educational Therapists, Board Certified Educational Therapist (BCET)
- Executive Functioning Training Certificates

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Kerri Swaner- Menlo Park

Kerri works with K-8 students in **reading, writing, and math.** She accepts summer-only students also.

Kerri has M.Ed and MFT degrees and is an educational therapist (associate). Kerri was a K/1 classroom teacher and reading specialist. She worked as a family therapist for 10 years. She currently supervises K-12 independent study students in addition to her Ed Therapy work.

Training:

- Wilson Reading
- Lindamood Bell
- Making Math Real

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Turning Points Educational Solutions, Inc. - Willow Glen & Online Services

Turning Points Educational Solutions has two clinicians that support the educational needs of students.

1) Mariya Hoffman, Educational Therapist

In addition to her Educational Therapy training through UC Riverside, Mariya also has training in a variety of programs, such as; Orton-Gillingham, Wilson, Barton, Structured Word Inquiry, Visualizing and Verbalizing, and Making Math Real. In addition to being able to **address all aspects of learning needs, she is also trained in mindfulness strategies that help to address test/performance anxiety.** Mariya speaks Russian in addition to being fluent in English.

2) Sharon Qi, APCC (supervised by Kaye Bishop)

Sharon is currently getting her professional clinical counseling certification but also has a background as a Special Education teacher. She has expertise in **anxiety, depression, executive functioning, and social cognition.** With her unique background, she is able to support students that have a combination of **social-emotional and learning needs.** Sharon speaks fluent Mandarin and Cantonese in addition to English.

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Morrissey Compton - Redwood City

Morrissey Compton's mission is to empower those with learning, behavioral, and social-emotional challenges to succeed throughout their educational journey. In a supportive environment, Morrissey-Compton, a non-profit provides the highest quality diagnostic, intervention, and treatment services through innovative programs with scholarship opportunities.

- **Services:**
 - Diagnosis & Evaluation
 - Treatment
 - Educational therapy,
 - psychotherapy,
 - family therapy,
 - speech therapy
 - Groups for Kids
 - Advocacy
 - Parent education/Coaching
 - Consultation

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Erin Powers

Erin has been a practicing Educational Therapist for over twenty-five years. She currently has a thriving private educational therapy practice, and works with the Morrissey-Compton Educational Center where she works 1:1 with students, **provides psycho-educational testing, school consultations, and parent education.**

Services include:

- 1:1 Academic remediation for first grade through college students
- Specialization in both reading and written expression, and executive functioning
- Consultations with schools and allied professionals
- Parent Coaching

Training and Methodologies:

- Lindamood-Bell - LIPS; Visualizing and Verbalizing.
- The Wilson System (Orton-Gillingham based.)
- Project Read - Decoding and written expression (Orton Gillingham based.)
- Anita Archer - Study skills program.
- University of Kansas Strategic Intervention Model.
- Semple Math - Mnemonic math program.
- Sentence and paragraph writing, comprehension and editing.

Education

- San Francisco State University
- M.Ed., Special Education, emphasis on Learning Handicapped
- Educational Therapy Certificate
- Resource Specialist Certificate
- California Multi-Subject Teaching Credential
- California Teaching Credential in Special Education (emphasis Learning Handicapped)
- University of California at Santa Cruz B.A., Psychology

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