What is Dyslexia?

1 in 5 students have a learning difference called dyslexia.

**Strengths You May See**
- Creativity and Imagination
- People Skills
- Outside the Box Problem Solving
- Building and Designing Talents
- Strong 3D Visual Skills
- Never Gives Up

**Weaknesses You May Notice**
- Reading and Rhyming
- Writing and Note Taking
- Left/Right Confusion
- Organization and Time Management
- Following Directions
- Memorization (as in Math Facts and Spelling)

Supporting Students with Dyslexia in the Classroom

- Allow extra time to think and process
- Encourage use of assistive technology
- Be approachable and don’t over-correct
- Break information into smaller steps
- Avoid asking student to read aloud in class
- Teach with pictures, stories, and hands-on activities
- Allow alternative assignments or modified workload
- Provide class notes, formulas, and word banks

Other Things You Can Do to Help

- Focus on strengths and abilities
- Accept, encourage and support
- Empower self-advocacy
- Build resiliency skills
- Help create a support network
- Learn all you can about the 1in5