

DOING MATH DIFFERENTLY

#### **OBJECTIVES:**

To serve from a cognitive science & social emotional learning mindset.

To equip people to succeed in math by finding and filling in their math gaps.

To empower people by helping them to believe in their math potential, which will ultimately broaden their career options & life trajectory.

#### **ABOUT US:**

Since 2009, Teaching Math(s) to Special Education Students

Since 1997, Teacher Certified.

#### STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS

Coed Special Education LEGO Robotic Team • 2018-19 District: Rising Star Award • 2019-20 District: Champion's Award • 2019-20 Provincials: Judge's Award

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## LD MATH AWARENESS TOP 3 REASONS

# WHY SPECIAL EDUCATION STUDENTS STRUGGLE WITH MATH

#### **<u>1. M-ANAGE MEMORY</u>**

Vocabulary | Multiple Steps | Mental Math

- Vocabulary: word walls | names of coins | operations & their functions etc.
- Multiple Steps: long multiplication | formulas | short cuts & tricks etc.
- Mental Math: subitizing, manipulate numbers | multiplication facts etc.

### 2. M-ANAGE MOVEMENT

#### Arrangements | Patterns | Motor

- Arrangements: Position & Direction
  - Position: up, down, front, back, high, low, side, top, bottom etc.
- Direction: left vs. right | up vs. down | vertical vs. horizontal | diagonals
- Patterns: noticing patterns | fixing incorrect patterns etc.
- Motor: Visually, Mentally & Physically

#### 3. W-ORK EFFICIENTLY

#### Logic | Comprehension | Focus

- Logic: overgeneralize tricks, lack strategies, memorize instead of understand etc.
- Comprehension: understanding contexts, analyzing, critical thinking, word problems etc.
- Focus: details, skip or change order of steps, struggle with arrangements, reasonableness etc.

## NEXT STEPS: TOP 5 STRUGGLES:

## WHAT SPECIAL EDUCATION STUDENTS STRUGGLE WITH IN EACH MATH STRAND

#### Use the WHYS to fix the WHATS!

**1. Be prepared:** If you understand why students are struggling, you can help fix what they are struggling with.

2. Be proactive: If we know what they will struggle with in the future,

#### We can:

Prepare their Mind & Prepare their Mindset Let's help them to BEGIN TO LIKE MATH!