

Mary Dahlgren, EdD Bio

Mary E. Dahlgren is a national literacy consultant and child advocate from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Dr. Dahlgren's longstanding interest in early childhood and elementary education has compelled her to spend much of her career working directly with classroom teachers to embrace the science behind reading.

She provides training on how to provide the best first instruction along with implementation of effective interventions for struggling readers. She is also the president and founder of Tools 4 Reading and recently developed a phonological awareness and articulation program called Kid Lips. Kid Lips is an easy-to-use tool designed for all students, but is especially effective for teachers to use to help Spanish speaking students understand the differences in phonemes between the two languages.

In addition to Kid Lips, she also designed and authored Tools 4 Reading Phoneme/Grapheme Cards, a quick reference to common phonics patterns in the English language.

Dr. Dahlgren is a National LETRS Trainer and the author of Fundamental of Literacy Instruction published by Voyager Sopris Learning in 2016.