

Good afternoon.

On August 11th, guidance to districts regarding 22-13-32 NMSA 1978 was provided through [this memo from Dr. Gwen Perea Warniment](#). This document is to provide additional guidance and considerations for requirements related to screening all first-grade students for dyslexia.

Before screening first-grade students:

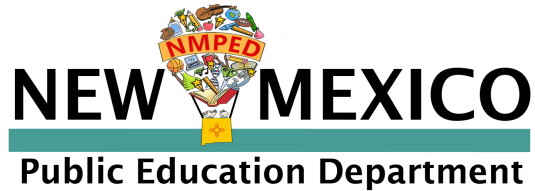
- I. It should be clearly conveyed in all relevant communications that a screener cannot diagnose a child with dyslexia. A dyslexia screener will only indicate characteristics of dyslexia for which the classroom teacher will then provide targeted instruction and progress monitoring.
- II. Teachers should complete the entire Structured Literacy and Dyslexia 101 PD on the Mr. Owl platform before administering a screener: <https://nmped.mrowl.com>
- III. Screeners should be administered by the classroom teacher. If a team of test administrators must be utilized to screen students, please note that only a licensed teacher, that has completed the Structured Literacy and Dyslexia 101 PD, can screen students.
- IV. Students should be screened in their primary language of instruction.

Timeline for screening all first-grade students:

2020-2021 SY:

- V. During the 2020-2021 SY, using an approved screener, all first-grade students must be screened for dyslexia by the end of the school year. *See Dyslexia Handbook, Appendix C for criteria used by committee to approve screeners.
- VI. For the 2020-2021 SY, if your school or district will only provide distance learning, first-grade students must be screened for dyslexia through an online platform by the end of the school year.
- VII. For the 2020-2021 SY, if your school or district will provide classroom instruction within the building, through a hybrid model or full-reentry, districts may decide whether to delay screening until students are in the building or to screen students through an online platform.

IN ALL CASES, ALL FIRST-GRADE STUDENTS MUST BE SCREENED FOR DYSLEXIA BY THE END OF THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR.



2021-2022 SY and subsequent years:

VIII. For the 2021-2022 SY and all subsequent years, using an approved screener, all first-grade students must be screened for dyslexia by the first standardized reporting date.

Approved screeners:

IX. Administration should view each instructional video and/or guide book in order to decide which screener is best for their districts.

Teach me to Read (English)

1. The instructional video for the Teach Me to Read screener is available on the Mr. Owl platform under NMPED Courses.
2. The Teach Me to Read screener can be downloaded from the Mr. Owl platform in the same module.

Lexercise (English)

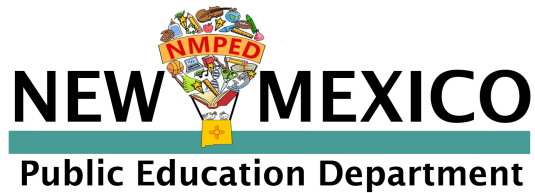
1. The instructional video for the Lexercise screener is in Unit 4 of the Structured Literacy and Dyslexia 101 PD on the Mr. Owl platform: <https://nmped.mrowl.com>
2. Go to lexercise.com, select “teachers” and create a free screening account. After you create an account it will send you to a teacher dashboard where you can set up profiles for each student in your class. From here you will find additional tutorials, the opportunity to print materials, and begin screening.

Istation (Spanish)

1. The instructional video for the Istation Spanish screener is available through this link: <https://protect-us.mimecast.com/s/UEdVCrkvDQunYNzxCjD0km?domain=youtube.com>
2. This link provides steps for screening through Istation: <https://info.istation.com/hubfs/Confidence%20Collateral/Remote%20Learning/Power%20Path%20-%20District%20and%20School%20ISIP%20Remote.pdf#page=3&zoom=100,46,40>
3. These links provide additional information on messaging and preparing for remote screening through Istation:

<https://www.istation.com/NewMexico/PowerPath>

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IDEL (Spanish)

1. For instructional guidance on how to use the IDEL screener please read through the IDEL Administration and Scoring Guide. (See below for instructions on accessing this document.)
2. This is the link for all IDEL materials: <https://dibels.uoregon.edu/assessment/index/material/>. You will click the "Download Testing Materials" link in the DIBELS 8, DIBELS 6 and IDEL section. By default the page is for DIBELS 8 materials.
3. Click the IDEL tab to the right and you will see the IDEL materials. This page includes the IDEL Administration and Scoring Guide, Folleto de Evaluación de Primer Grado, and the FLO: Fluidez en la Lectura Oral IDEL, Primer grado.

Guidance for reporting screening of first-grade students:

- X. Detailed guidance for reporting screening of all first-grade students and results of screening and progress monitoring will be outlined in upcoming guidance for District Literacy Plans.