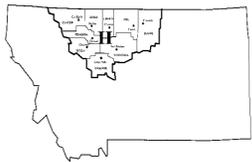


## COMPREHENSIVE SYSTEM OF PERSONNEL DEVELOPMENT

Region II CSPD coordinates personnel development to meet the diverse needs of all children and youth in our unique region.



### *Our presenter:*

Meg Cech is a licensed presenter for Visual Phonics-See the Sound, ICLI-International Communication Learning Institute, Wisconsin. She began teaching Visual Phonics to her students in 1991. Visual Phonics worked so well and she saw so many gains with her students and in her school, she went through the licensure program and became licensed to present this wonderful technique/program from ICLI to others in 1996. She has continued to give workshops throughout the Northwest since that time. She retired in June 2016 after teaching in Montana for 38 years. She has taught all aspects of special education for 21 years and third grade for 17 years.

### *Learning Objectives:*

*After attending this session, participants will:*

- 1. The participant will demonstrate a working knowledge of Visual Phonics hand signs and printed symbols.*
- 2. Participants will demonstrate the integration of strategies and skills using Visual Phonics to reinforce literacy, writing and speech production.*
- 3. The participants will demonstrate specific strategies for reinforcing articulation therapy while teaching letter recognition, phonemic awareness, phoneme-grapheme association and syllable/phoneme blending.*
- 4. Educational interpreters will learn how to incorporate Visual Phonics hand shapes to support sound-based learning activities in general education settings.*
- 5. The participants will connect research with practice as it relates to Visual Phonics (See the Sound) and the impact it has on diverse learners.*

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## **REGION II CSPD**

*Presents:*

### **See the Sound/Visual Phonics**

*A Multi-Sensory Approach for Teaching Decoding, Articulation, and Auditory Discrimination*

**Meg Cech**  
Licensed Presenter ICLI

## **FREE TRAINING FOR:**

*General and Special Educators, Paraprofessionals, Speech Language, Social Workers, Occupational Therapists, Parents, and others who work with students.*

**December 3, 2018**

**Fifth Avenue Christian Church  
Havre, MT**

**SEE THE SOUND/VISUAL PHONICS**

**SCHEDULE**

8:00-8:30-Sign in  
8:30-11:30-Morning session  
11:30-12:30-Lunch  
12:30-3:30 Afternoon session

Visual Phonics is a system of 45 hand signs and written symbols, which helps to make the connection between written and spoken language less confusing. The hand signs enhance students' ability to "see" the sound as they are learning how sounds and words work.

Each written symbol is a visual representation of the hand sign and sometimes what is happening in the mouth. By focusing first on the sounds of language, Visual Phonics captures the power of the language before it becomes a confusion of rules.

Many different populations will benefit from Visual Phonics. Children in early education programs, "at risk readers", special education programs, deaf and hard of hearing students, students with hearing loss at all levels, English language learners, and adults who are not literate. The hand signs enhance students' ability to "see" the sound as they are learning how sounds and words work. Speech clinicians also use this in their sessions to help children.



This full day workshop explores the multi-sensory Visual Phonics program and its benefits in reinforcing oral language, speech, literacy and writing skills necessary for students that possess diverse learning needs or bilingual needs. This hands-on workshop develops the skills necessary to implement Visual Phonics in therapeutic settings, classroom and instructional settings. Strategies for support in reading, speaking, decoding, and spelling will be explored.

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this training

Participation by individuals from outside of Region II is welcome. Region II consists of the counties of Cascade, Teton, Pondera, Toole, Glacier, Liberty, Hill, Blaine, and Chouteau.

**Register online at [www.blueponyk12.com](http://www.blueponyk12.com)  
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**Please note:**  
Registrations for the workshop taken through November 28, 2018.  
  
As a professional courtesy, please contact our office if you need to cancel your registration.

**REGISTRATION FORM**

December 3, 2018 (Havre, MT)

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