Open Dyslexic & Change of colour in Office 2013/16

ABOUT: In this activity, participants will learn how to use Open Dyslexic Font, font sizes and page colours with the District Databases, websites or e-text. Open Dyslexic Font Extension converts all text to the Open Dyslexic Font with heavier weighting for the letters that helps students who have difficulty processing text. Using larger text sizes and contrasting colours with text can also support students with processing text.

WHAT YOU WILL NEED: Word, Outlook, OneNote or PowerPoint

1. Click on the Fonts tab and type the first few letters of the font: Open Dyslexic

2. You Can also Change the Font Size to make it easier for the student to read text
3. Changing the background colour of the font on the document is very helpful for students who have difficulty processing. Consider high contrast colours when choosing colours.

4. Changing the background colour on the document is very helpful in reducing visual stress and for students who have difficulty processing text. To change the background colour choose the Design tab and look for Page Color on the far right side of the menu bar. Choose the colour from the palette.

If students find the Open Dyslexic Font helpful, consider adding the Open Dyslexic Font Chrome extension. On websites and browsers students can use Control + and Control Minus to change the size of the text on web pages. SSOverlay is a useful tool on SD71 computers, which provides a coloured screen overlay.