**SPELD NZ Teaching Certificate in Specific Learning Disabilities**

**Subsidy Application Form**

The SPELD NZ Certificate in Teaching Individuals with Specific Learning Disabilities includes 600 hours of workshops, reading, tasks, three assignments and exercises.

SPELD NZ is fundraising to help subsidise those wishing to enrol in 2025. Subsidy amounts differ geographically according to the success of our fundraising but are approximately $1000 of the programme fee each (depending on funder) and will be credited towards the programme fees.

Subsidies are only available to those who are able to become registered SPELD NZ Teachers, taking on **SPELD NZ-referred pupils** one-on-one during or outside school hours or on weekends. If you are a classroom teacher or RTLB please ascertain from your school or RTLB manager that you have permission to do this teaching before you complete this application.

Applicants are invited to apply for a subsidy if they meet the following requirements:

1. Must be a NZ trained teacher (or NZQA-approved overseas equivalent) with a minimum of one year’s classroom teaching experience
2. Must be NZ citizens or have permanent residence in NZ
3. Must have a clear police vetting
4. Must meet compulsory programme requirements and complete and pass all tasks and assessments
5. Must agree to be interviewed by SPELD NZ representatives
6. Must agree to enter the SPELD NZ two-year probationary teacher programme to teach SPELD NZ-referred students on a one-to-one basis, following successful completion of the programme
7. Must complete practicum and receive full SPELD NZ Teacher certification
8. Must agree to

* Repay the subsidy in the event of non-completion of the programme and/or non-completion of the probationary teacher practicum within two years
* Write a letter of thanks to the Trust on programme completion outlining the benefits of the grant etc.

Applicants may be contacted for more information.

Training subsidy applications must be sent with all other documents to SPELD NZ **by 28 October 2025.**

If accepted for a subsidy, you **must** pay the balance of the programme fees to the Public Trust by   
**31 January 2025**. SPELD NZ will make payment of the scholarship amount to your Public Trust account

**Application for Training Subsidy**

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| Name |  |
| Address |  |
| Post code |  |
| Phone (Work & home) | W: H: |
| Email |  |

I am/was a: Teacher/ SENCO/RTLB at School

Please answer the following questions in the boxes provided:

Reasons for applying for theTeaching Certificate in in Specific Learning Disabilities (you may copy and paste your personal statement from the enrolment form or add an extra page to this application):

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Reasons for applying for the subsidy:

Please supply copy of Community Services Card (if applicable)

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Prior experience of specific learning disabilities (SLD):

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I agree that if I receive the subsidy, I will repay the subsidy promptly to SPELD NZ:

* If I do not successfully complete the SPELD NZ Certificate programme; or
* If I do not enter and complete the SPELD NZ two-year probationary teaching practicum to teach SPELD NZ-referred students on a one-to-one basis at the successful completion of the programme. I understand that I must enter the probationary practicum within six months of certificate completion.
* If I do not complete practicum and receive full SPELD NZ Teacher certification

Applicant’s signature ………………………………………………………………. Date: ……………………………………………