

## *Letter Formation- Automaticity*

### *Direct and Explicit Handwriting Instruction*

- ~Teach proper letter formation Using curriculum-based program such as Peterson or Handwriting Without Tears*
- ~Group letters with similar stroke patterns*
- ~Model proper number and letter formation using correct stroke sequence and directionality*
- ~ Teach in the moment and correct reversals if they occur*
- ~ Daily consistent practice*

### *Develop Visual Memory Skills and Visual Attention*

- ~Help to Develop a visual picture of letters*
- ~Present each letter in a different color*
- ~Play visual memory games using frequently reversed letters*
- ~Provide an alphabet strip for desk*
- ~Complete letter searches, word searches, picture searches ~ Read a paragraph and circle a specific letter*
- ~Complete build -a -drawing activities to develop visual motor skills*
- ~ Play Eye Spy and Spot-It games*
- ~Play “What’s Missing?” type games*
- ~Engage in visual discrimination activities/matching/ find the match (Blink, SET, Super Circles)*
- ~Puzzles and visual problem-solving games*

### *Develop Motor Memory*

- ~Air writing using large whole arm movements*
- ~ Write letters in carpet using finger*
- ~ Rainbow writing using correct stroke sequence*
- ~Practice letters using block and dot – “Start at the dot and stay in the box”*
- ~Wet, Dry, Try Handwriting Without Tears method*
- ~Use tactile manipulatives such as Wiki Sticks or clay*
- ~Use a sensory board with sandpaper, shaving cream, or sand to practice correct letter stroke sequence*

