

# Learning Disabilities Association of Michigan

*Together We Can Make a Difference*

## What is a learning disability?

A learning disability (LD) is a neurologically based processing disorder characterized by differences in brain structure and learning functions such as reading, writing, spelling, and math

## Did you know?

- Persons with LD are generally average or above average intelligence
- Learning disabilities are a lifelong challenge and often run in families
- Over 40% of the children in Michigan receiving special education services have a learning disability and most of these children have trouble reading
- Estimates indicate between 50-70% of the prison population have a learning disability
- With the right diagnosis, support, accommodations, and help, a person with a learning disability can succeed in school, careers, and community life

LDA encourages research, programs, and services for people of all ages. We provide information and educational materials about learning disabilities and the rights of individuals with learning disabilities and their families. We, also, work with those who make public policy decisions.

## About LDA of Michigan

The Learning Disabilities Association of Michigan is the statewide affiliate of the Learning Disabilities Association of American. It is a non-profit volunteer organization; membership includes individuals with learning disabilities, parents, educators, other professionals and concerned citizens who support the LDA mission.

## Why Become A Member?

### As a member of LDA, you will receive:

- ✓ Complimentary subscriptions to both state and national newsletters
- ✓ the latest information regarding learning disabilities, including fact sheets and video rentals
- ✓ Networking opportunities with others who have an interest in learning disabilities
- ✓ A toll-free information and referral number
- ✓ Discounted subscription to LDA's *Learning Disabilities: A Multidisciplinary Journal*
- ✓ A united voice on LD issues and concerns

## LDA of Michigan Can Help

**Call, email, or check our WEBSITE**

## Membership Application

**Name:**

**Address:**

**City/State/Zip Code:**

**Area Code & Phone**

**Email Address:**

### I am interested in:

\_\_\_\_\_ an individual membership      \$ 35  
\_\_\_\_\_ want to help LDA and have  
enclosed an donation of      \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Total      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### Method of Payment

\_\_\_\_\_ Check (Payable to LDA of MI)

\_\_\_\_\_ Visa      \_\_\_\_\_ Master Card

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*Exp Date*

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*Signature*

*thank-you!*