Handwriting Programs

Zaner-Bloser Handwriting

"Zaner-Bloser Handwriting uses an easy, step-by-step approach to teach handwriting. Continuous-stroke, vertical manuscript reinforces reading development. Cursive alphabet promotes automaticity in handwriting to support students in all of their writing, reading, and assessment efforts" (Zaner-Bloser, Inc, 2002).

http://www.zaner-bloser.com


800-421-3018

Italic Handwriting Series

Italic Handwriting Series offers a set of seven student workbooks, each focusing on a particular grade level (K - 6th and 8th grade to adults). The program focuses on italic as the handwriting style in which it is found to be easier, requiring fewer lifts of the writing utensil. It is also a loop-free handwriting program with smooth transition from print to cursive.

http://www.homeschool.com/resources/GettysDubay/default.asp
Palmer Method

The Palmer Method was developed in the early 1900's by Austin Palmer, and was widely used in the early 1900's. This method teaches children to use rhythmic movements of the shoulder and arm to learn to write.

1-800-442-9685

D'Nealian Handwriting

The D'Nealian method of handwriting aims to make the transition from manuscript to cursive writing easier to learn for the child due to slanted letters that look like a mix between manuscript and cursive. These letters are formed using a continuous motion that allows for faster and easier handwriting.

http://www.dnealian.com/

1-800-552-2259
Handwriting Without Tears

HWT is a program that uses a developmental approach to teach handwriting skills, including proper pencil grip, posture, and accurate letter formation, sizing, spacing, and placement. Through sensorimotor activities, grouping letters by similarity and difficulty, and a simple style of handwriting and lines, HWT focuses on improving handwriting in a way that is easy to teach and fun to learn.

www.hwtears.com

Direct page for teachers - http://www.hwtears.com/educators/teachers

Loops and Other Groups

Loops and Other Groups is a cursive handwriting program that teaches basic letter formation through grouping letters according to movement patterns. To reinforce this learning visual and kinesthetic cues are used.

Therapy Skill Builders 1-800-211-8378
**Sensible Pencil**

The Sensible Pencil is a comprehensive handwriting program that was designed for younger children, especially those with special needs, to achieve success and master tasks at their own pace. Readiness activities and exercises are used to build the foundational skills necessary for handwriting, which is followed by instruction of upper and lower case manuscript handwriting using sequential worksheets.


205-991-6660

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**Big Strokes for Little Folks**

Big Strokes for Little Folks is designed especially for children aged 5-9 who can identify most letters but have difficulty learning to form these letters. Children's letter formation and placement is improved through grouping letters and numbers according to similar characteristics.