

## About Dr. Michael Milone



Dr. Michael Milone, an award-winning educational writer and consultant to publishers and school districts, earned a PhD from Ohio State University and a Master of Arts degree from Gallaudet University, and is fluent in American Sign Language.

He recently served on the board of directors of Edpress, the Association of Educational Publishers, and is a member of the Technology and Literacy Committee of the International Reading Association.

Over the past twenty years, Dr. Milone has been involved in a broad range of publishing projects, working with such renowned names in education as Open Court Reading, Prentice Hall, Harcourt, LeapFrog, and The Learning Company

He has co-authored and written chapters in textbooks dealing with computers, gifted education, special education, reading management, research on handwriting, and learning styles, and is widely recognized as an expert in educational publishing within K-12 education circles.

The first time John Arena (ATP's founder and owner) and Michael Milone met was in 1980 at the ATP office in Novato. As the research director for Zaner-Bloser at the time, Milone had traveled to the Bay Area with Dr. Walter Barbe, the editor-in-chief of Highlights for Children. The two of them dropped by the office, and as a result of the conversation that day, they wrote an article on modality strengths for the company's journal, Academic Therapy. They also met Rick Brownell that day, and he and Michael developed a friendship as well as a professional relationship. When Rick rose to a leadership role in the company, he and Michael worked together on a number of assessment and instructional products.