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NIFDI to Present at National Charter School Conference

Last year NIFDI partnered with IDEA Public Charter Schools to make a presentation at the Texas Charter School Conference. The presentation, "ELL Education: Keys to Ensuring Literacy," described the preschool literacy initiative launch last year at IDEA Pharr Academy in the Rio Grande Valley. It was so well received we were encouraged to submit a proposal to the National Charter School Association (NCSA). We are thrilled to have just received word we will be presenting at their national conference in Nashville, Tennessee. The conference runs June 26-29, with the NIFDI/IDEA session being held on Monday, June 27. If you are at the conference, please attend the session or stop by the NIFDI booth in the exhibit hall and say hello.



Now in its second year, Pharr Academy, IDEA Public Schools and NIFDI are thrilled with the accomplishments of these students, and next year IDEA will expand the program to nine other campuses in Texas for the 2016-17 school year. [Click here](#) to view a news video about the exciting program. For more information on IDEA Public Schools, visit ideapublicschools.org.

NIFDI Releases New Technical Report

The NIFDI Research Department recently released Technical Report 2016-1: Effective Direct Instruction Implementations: The Impact of Administrative Decisions and Time.

This report uses data from different studies and settings to examine two general factors that make DI implementations more effective: 1) administrative decisions and practices and 2) experience with the program. The data show that DI students make significantly more progress at mastery and have significantly higher achievement when:

- teachers implement the programs with greater fidelity
- teachers have been trained for the specific programs they are teaching
- teachers are given time and support to prepare lessons
- teachers have more experience in teaching the programs
- DI has been implemented for a longer period of time
- students are taught for the recommended time each week
- at-risk students are given extra instructional time ("double dosing")
- students start learning with DI in kindergarten

The report is free and can be downloaded from the NIFDI website, or [click here](#).

Don't Forget! DI Community Fair Applications Are Due June 1st

As a part of the Excellence in Education Awards evening, NIFDI and McGraw-Hill Education are hosting the second Direct Instruction Community Fair. The fair will be an opportunity for participants to "show and tell" about their application of DI.

The format is simple. First, submit the brief application included in the conference brochure. After review, if the application is selected, we will provide a board for you to display up to a 36x36" poster. There will also be a table in front of the display board where handouts or display material can be placed. Then, as people enjoy the social hour, you can share your story of how DI has impacted your school or district.

Possible topics could include a University program featuring DI teacher prep, a school district showing results attained through DI, a charter school recruitment. Really there is no limit, as long as you can explain through your application how your proposal will be of interest and of benefit to other DI users!

The event will be held Tuesday, July 26th from 5:30-8:00pm at the Hilton Eugene. [Applications](#) for participation are available as part of the conference brochure (see page 23) and are due June 1.

Click below to download complete brochures for our summer trainings or visit us online.

[4th Annual Southwest DI Conference and Institute](#)

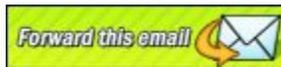
June 6-9, 2016

San Antonio, Texas

[42nd National Direct Instruction Conference and Institutes](#)

July 25-29, 2016

Eugene, Oregon



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