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Plan now to attend...

**Enhanced Coaching and Facilitating Professional Development
Direct Instruction Coaching Academy II**

Presented by  for instructional coaches, peer coaches and others responsible for observing instruction and improving student performance

April 4 & 5, 2024
Cambria Hotel—Orlando Airport - Orlando, Florida
For assistance registering or for questions, email bryanwickman@nifdi.org call 541.485.1973



Register for NIFDI's In-Person Coaching Academy!

Join veteran trainer Tamara Bressi on April 4 & 5 for NIFDI's popular academy—*Enhanced Coaching and Facilitating Professional Development*. This 2-day training at the Cambria Hotel—Orlando Airport equips building and district-level instructional coaches, peer coaches, lead teachers and mentor teachers with critical coaching and support skills.

With effective peer coaching, staff development, and strong leadership, teachers using Direct Instruction will improve dramatically, and students will progress farther and faster than they ever have before
Here is a sampling of topics that will be covered:

- **Refining observational skills**
- **Facilitating rehearsal sessions**
- **Determining the appropriate intervention**
- **Facilitating Data Analysis Team meetings**

A description and registration information is available on our [website](https://www.nifdi.org). You can also contact Bryan Wickman, NIFDI's Outreach Director, at 1.877.485.1973 or by email at info@nifdi.org with questions or for more information.

50th National Direct Instruction Conference and Institutes Registration Opens Soon!

Plan now to join us in person!

50th National Direct Instruction Conference and Institutes
Graduate Hotel Eugene - Eugene, Oregon
Administrative Leadership, Coaching, and Becoming an Effective DI Trainer
Institutes: July 15-19, 2024

Presented by  **The Most Comprehensive DI Training Available—Anywhere!**
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Plan on being in Eugene, Oregon, [July 15-19, 2024](#), to attend the **50th National Direct Instruction Conference and Institutes**. We are planning an amazing week of training and special events to celebrate this milestone.

The conference began as a small, regional training held at a high school in Eugene with an attendance of 80 educators, mostly from the West Coast. Since 1974, as many as 750 educators from around the world have gathered each year in Eugene to attend what is regarded as the most comprehensive DI training available. NIFDI began sponsoring the conference in 2014 and has expanded the offerings to include a 5-day Administrator Leadership Institute, a greater variety of preconference sessions and training on the full range of DI programs.

Registration will open next week! Be sure to mark your calendars and begin making your travel plans now!



Engelmann Foundation Grant Requests Due April 1

Are you looking for a funding source to help support your Direct Instruction implementation? [The Engelmann Foundation](#), created in 1997, could be the answer to your need. The foundation is dedicated to continuing the legacy of Siegfried "Zig"

Engelmann through the support, promotion and development of educators around the world who implement Direct Instruction with their students.

Over the years, the foundation has distributed 112 grants totaling over \$729,000. The Engelmann Foundation offers [two grant opportunities](#): General Grants and Conference Grants. General Grants are designed to support projects, training and development, implementation, and other similar endeavors that utilize Direct Instruction (DI) programs. Conference Grants are tailored to provide funds to attend the annual National Direct Instruction Conference hosted by the National Institute for Direct Instruction in Eugene, Oregon, each July. Both grant application types operate on a twice-yearly schedule. The deadline for submitting grants for the current cycle is April 1, with the second submission date falling on October 2.

Digital Direct Instruction Spoken English Now Available

Educational Achievement Publishing has just released a digital version Direct Instruction Spoken English (DISE). DISE is an explicit, systematic instructional program that help English language learners in grades four and higher acquire a functional mastery of spoken English in less than a year. [Click here](#) for more information on DISE.

**DIRECT
INSTRUCTION**

**SPOKEN
ENGLISH**

The digital edition has the same content as the print version, but has the advantage of being easily accessed on a laptop or other device. Priced lower than the print edition, Digital DISE is ready to use immediately! Also, users will not incur shipping charges or have to wait for delivery. For pricing and ordering information, [click here](#).

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