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**Direct Instruction Coaching Academy II**

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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**

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## ***Last Chance to 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.

***Registration closes April 2! This session will not be offered again until November!***

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](#). You can also contact Bryan Wickman, NIFDI's Outreach Director, at 1.877.485.1973 or by email at [info@nifdi.org](mailto:info@nifdi.org) with questions or for more information.

## 50th National Direct Instruction Conference and Institutes Registration Open!


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  
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Plan on being in Eugene, Oregon, July 15-19, 2024, to attend the **50<sup>th</sup> 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.



This year's opening keynote will be delivered by Mr. Casey Sovo an enrolled member of the Comanche Nation, who began working for the Bureau of Indian Education (BIE) in 2001 as a high school English Language Arts teacher and became the Education Program Administrator for the New Mexico South Education Line Office (now called the Albuquerque Bureau-Operated Schools Education Resource Center) in July 2010. Mr. Sovo deeply believes in the power of education to provide opportunities for changing the outcomes for future generations. He is a strong proponent of Direct Instruction and has supported its implementation in many BIE schools. His story is informative and inspiring.

Please join us this July for the most comprehensive Direct Instruction training available—anywhere!

**[Registration is open! Click here to register or download the brochure!](#)**



## ***New Science of Reading and Direct Instruction Higher Education Course Offered***

One cause of our national (and international) literacy crisis is that most colleges and universities have failed to adequately instruct our future instructors on proven, researched methods and materials.

In the [Sold a Story podcasts](#) released last year, an entire episode featured testimonials by dozens of teachers who said they had never been taught how to effectively teach reading to their students.

To help remedy this, NIFDI has partnered with The Reading Science Academy and Mount Saint Joseph University to offer a course designed for university and college professors who want to learn more about how to develop high-quality literacy courses based on evidence from the Science of Reading. Beginning May 15 through July 10, the online course *The Science of Reading and Direct Instruction* will meet. Taught by Drs. Marcy Stein and Dianne Kinder, this course will focus on the Direct Instruction (DI) approach, using *Direct Instruction Reading* (Carnine et al., 2017) as the primary text. Further, the course will address how to develop literacy courses according to the International Dyslexia Association Knowledge and Practice Standards. The course will be taught in two parts. The focus of Part I will be on beginning reading instruction (grades K-2) and reading interventions while the focus of Part II will be on intermediate reading instruction (grades 3-5) and content area literacy.

[Click here](#) to register or read more information about this important course.



## ***Direct Instruction Podcast Episode 2 Released***

The second episode of the podcast series sponsored by NIFDI has been released. Hosted by educator and parent Dr. Zach Groshell, this episode *What was Project Follow Through?* features DI co-authors Linda Carnine, Susie Andrist and Jerry Silbert. These three pioneers of Direct Instruction share their perspectives on what has been called the biggest education experiment in history. Step back in time and

hear their stories about how a group of young educators showed how to be successful with the most challenging learners, how they succeeded, and how they were ultimately ignored.

The podcast runs just over an hour. [Click here](#) to listen to this informative piece.



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