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A Farewell From Christina Cox

To Our Readers:

As readers of NIFDI News! know, the last Tuesday of the month means an email from me [Christina] will show up with highlights of DI-happenings over the past few weeks. This isn't changing, but the person who sends it is. Bryan Wickman, NIFDI's Outreach Events Coordinator, is taking over the authorship and distribution of NIFDI News! starting with this issue.

I am leaving NIFDI to return to the classroom this fall. As many of you may remember, I started my career in education 13 years ago teaching 5th grade in a small, rural Oregon school and then serving as an elementary principal before coming to NIFDI in the fall of 2011. The past four years have been full of new experiences, new people and unexpected rewards. While leaving my NIFDI family will be hard, my heart is filled with joy to be returning to the classroom in just a few short weeks!

I wish all of you my very best as you continue to share and implement Zig's fine work and know that you are all in good hands with Bryan at the helm of NIFDI News! (among other things I'm leaving in his very capable hands).

With a grateful heart, I say thank you and goodbye.
Christina

NIFDI News! subscribers, I invite you to join me in thanking Christina for all her work publicizing DI news, publications and events. She has done so much for NIFDI and for the many teachers, principals and parents who have emailed or called us and asked questions about implementing DI. We wish her all the best as she moves to the place where all the difference is made for kids--the classroom. Please email her at ccox@nifdi.org or info@nifdi.org to express your appreciation and/or best wishes in the future!

--- Kurt Engelmann, NIFDI President

Two NIFDI Coaching Academies Scheduled for Fall 2015



An effective coach will help the DI teacher evolve from a technician to an engineer of instruction. To help equip you to help others in this evolution, NIFDI's two popular Coaching Academies will be held in



Arlington Heights, Illinois this fall.

On October 15 & 16, we will present ***Coaching I-Analyzing & Responding to Student Performance Data***. Through demonstrations, practice and hands on activities, participants will learn how to:

- * Gain meaningful information from lesson progress and in-program mastery data.
- * Model how to improve written records.
- * Conduct supportive classroom observations and demonstrations aimed at increasing student success.
- * Provide effective oral and written feedback to instructors to directly impact student performance.
- * Design and deliver effective, on-going professional development sessions.

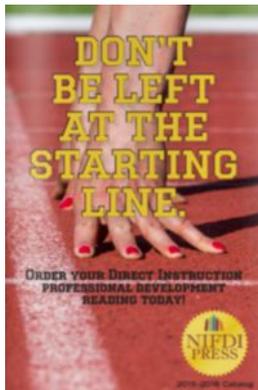
We will return to Arlington Heights November 19 & 20 for ***Coaching II-Conducting Classroom Observations & Providing Feedback***. This session will provide participants with information and practice in:

- * Refining observational skills to increase the coach's ability to provide data-driven feedback.
- * Facilitating rehearsal sessions.
- * Determining the appropriate intervention based on data and observation.
- * Facilitating Data Analysis Team meetings to find and solve student performance problems in a timely manner.

TheAcademy trainer, Tamara Bressi, is an experienced DI teacher, trainer and coach. As an Implementation Manager for NIFDI and an independent consultant, she has provided support to schools implementing DI around the world-from Oregon to Colorado to Australia to Guam and Africa.

To register, visit us [online](#) or call Bryan at 877.485.1973.

NIFDI Press 2015-2016 Catalog is Available



The National Institute for Direct Instruction's publication division-NIFDI Press- is dedicated to publishing high quality works that support the development of effective implementations of Direct Instruction programs, the press will publish manuals and books designed to help a variety of audiences purposes:

- teachers, coaches, and administrators implementing DI programs in their schools;
- parents preparing or supporting their children in academic success;
- researchers in search of theoretical and empirical studies regarding the development, efficacy and implementation of DI.

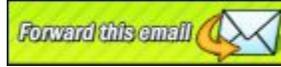
Along with titles published by NIFDI Press, we also distribute titles available through the other publishers. These include many of Engelmann and others' works such as *Teach Your Child to Read in 100 Easy Lessons*, *Teaching Needy Kids* and *Theory of Instruction*.

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DI Down Under Makes the News!

A recent front page article in The Australian newspaper highlighted the success of children have achieved through Direct Instruction. Congratulations to all involved in helping improve the lives of these children! Read

the full story here: <http://www.theaustralian.com.au/national-affairs/education/noel-pearsons-radical-teaching-plan-passes-first-test/story-fn59nlz9-1227451640396>



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