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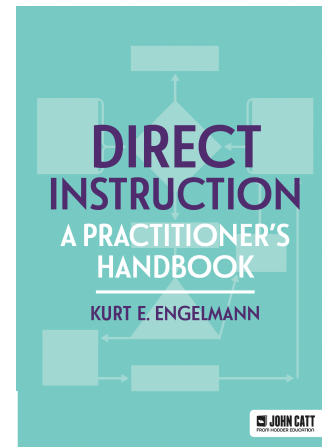
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Handbook for Implementing Direct Instruction Released!

Congratulations to NIFDI President Kurt Engelmann on publishing his book, [*Direct Instruction—A Practitioner's Handbook*](#). This extensive text is divided into three sections. The first section, What is Direct Instruction?, gives an overview of DI with an excellent discussion of the differences and similarities between upper-case DI, lower-case di, and explicit instruction. Section 2, How to Implement Direct Instruction, presents the reader with a step-by-step guide on the details that go into a *successful* implementation. The final section addresses pitfalls to avoid when implementing DI.

In his review, Educational Psychologist Nazam Hussain states, “This is an accessible book for anyone who is interested in finding out about the theory, implementation, and day-to-day monitoring of DI programs. Myths about DI are addressed throughout the book, and specific discrete issues are explored in various standalone ‘topic brief’ sections. I recommend this book to those who like and know little about DI as well as to those who have never heard of or initially struggle with DI.”





Episode 4 of the Direct Instruction Podcast Released!


The fourth episode of the podcast series sponsored by NIFDI has been released. Hosted by educator and parent Dr. Zach Groshell, the series features interviews with trainers, authors, researchers, and others, each giving their insights on various aspects of DI. The fourth episode is titled “What is Direct Instruction Mathematics?” The guests are Marcy Stein and Bernadette Kelly. Marcy is co-author of the textbook *Direct Instruction Mathematics*. Bernie is a co-author of *Connecting Math Concepts* and *Essentials for Algebra*. [Click here](#) to listen to this informative podcast.

Register for the 50th National Direct Instruction Conference and Institutes!


Plan now to join us in person!

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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 event 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!

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