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If you have questions or need additional information, you can reach us at 877.485.1973 or info@nifdi.org.

Essentials for Algebra Displays Available through ConnectED



If you're a user of Essentials for Algebra (EFA), you may have encountered trouble with your display CD that accompanies the program. The National Institute for Direct Instruction learned recently that the EFA display CD does not work with Macs, although it should still work with PCs. If you put the EFA display disc into a Mac, you will likely get an error message indicating "Power PC applications are no longer

supported". This problem is related to how newer Mac operating systems are configured.

McGraw-Hill Education has addressed this problem by making the displays available through their online system, ConnectED. Users with a ConnectEd account should be able to access the displays through this system. If you do not see EFA as a program in your ConnectED account, you will need to contact your McGraw-Hill representative for a redemption code. Only McGraw-Hill can issue these codes.

NIFDI Launches Membership Program

With the closure of the Association for Direct Instruction, NIFDI has been seeking ways to assist the DI community to stay connected. Some of these efforts include:

- facilitating the DI list serve;
- revamping our website to include a wide variety of DI resources such as popular bloggers, a complete library of past DI News and Journal of Direct Instruction issues and various texts ADI used to market;
- offering open enrollment training events;
- increasing awareness of current DI resources, news and information through NIFDI News!; and,
- networking with other researchers in the field through our DI Research Group and Directory.

To help make the training events more affordable as well as create a link among the DI community, we are now offering NIFDI Memberships. Members will enjoy several special benefits:

- · 20% off our outreach training events
- 20% off materials
- · Advance access to web resources
- · and more!

Regular NIFDI Memberships are only \$50.00 annually and students can join for \$30.00 per year. Institutional

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memberships, good for up to five staff people, are \$250.00 billed annually.

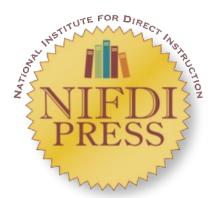
Former ADI Members: Send us your membership number and expiration date, and we will convert your ADI membership to a NIFDI membership at no charge.

Ready to join NIFDI as a charter member? Download the membership registration form today!

NIFDI Press Debuts Summer 2014

The National Institute for Direct Instruction proudly announces the addition of a publication arm to the organization: NIFDI Press! 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.



The Press will also be distributing titles previously available through the Association for Direct Instruction (ADI), including *Teach Your Child to Read in 100 Easy Lessons*, *Teaching Needy Kids* and *Theory of Instruction*.

Both NIFDI Press publications and books previously available through ADI can be purchased through our website at http://nifdi.org/resources/store or by calling 877.485.1973. New NIFDI Press publications will be released starting Summer 2014. Watch our website or follow us on Facebook to hear about upcoming releases!

Registration Now Open for Summer Training Events!

Plan now to attend either the 40th National Direct Instruction Conference and Institutes, July 13-17 in Eugene, Oregon or the Southwest Direct Instruction Training Conference and Institutes in San Antonio, Texas August 3-7.

NIFDI is very pleased to be able to continue the tradition of the Eugene conference. We have a fantastic lineup of sessions that are being led by the highly qualified trainers you have come to expect at this premier DI training event. There are sessions for all skill levels and job titles. We will offer the popular institutes Essentials of Coaching, Becoming an Effective DI Trainer and a revamped Administrators Institute. There are many new sessions and, of course, training on the majority of current DI programs.

The Southwest Conference enters its second year in San Antonio, Texas. This year we have added three Sunday pre-conference workshops. Participants can attend one of these workshops at no additional charge, or just attend the conference on Monday through Thursday. The conference features the Institute on Becoming an Effective DI Trainer, with the same format as utilized in Eugene. The event is held at the Marriott Plaza Hotel, a beautiful property just steps away from the Riverwalk, the Alamo and other San Antonio attractions.

Online registration and pdf brochures are available at www.nifdi.org. See you this summer!

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