McGraw-Hill Specialized Solutions Catalog Available Online

McGraw-Hill, the primary publisher of the DI family of programs, has released the 2016 Price List. Print versions of the catalog will no longer be distributed.

The following DI programs are included in the price list:

- Reading Mastery
- Horizons
- Corrective Reading
- Language for Learning, Language for Thinking & Language for Writing
- Reasoning and Writing
- Essentials for Writing
- Expressive Writing
- Spelling Mastery
- Connecting Math Concepts
- Corrective Mathematics
- Essentials for Algebra

To view or download the catalog, visit McGraw-Hill's website.

As a complement to the forthcoming catalog, the National Institute for Direct Instruction has also created a DI Materials Cost Worksheet that will aid administrators and other decision makers in determining program material costs. Constructed as a Microsoft Excel document, users can simply enter the quantities for each title and component into the worksheet, and the total estimated cost is automatically calculated at the bottom of the sheet. This document is updated regularly to reflect current pricing from the publisher, but users need to verify actual pricing from the publisher or through their sales representative. Note that the material cost spreadsheet includes price information for Direct Instruction Spoken English (DISE), published by Sopris Learning. NIFDI does not sell these programs directly and recommends this worksheet as a tool for estimating only.

Update-Direct Instruction Spoken English Research Project

School districts in Texas and Washington are partnering with Oregon Research Institute (ORI), to learn more about what middle school
teachers are doing to teach English learners (EL) in the 6th and 7th grades how to speak English, and to find out what's working for their students, within the context of an evaluation of Direct Instruction Spoken English (DISE). The study is being conducted by Drs. Barbara Gunn, Erin Chaparro, Keith Smolkowski and Patricia Vadasy at Oregon Research Institute, and is funded by the United States Department of Education, Institute of Education Sciences (IES) Grant #R305A150325.

The four year project is now mid-way through Year 01, with 10 middle schools in Laredo Texas, and 2 middle schools in Sunnyside, Washington working with ORI researchers. The teachers who are implementing DISE are receiving training and coaching support from NIFDI. Their students were tested in the fall on English oral language skills, with follow-up testing this winter and spring. The research team is recruiting more schools to join the study in the fall of 2016. Participating districts and teachers will be provided with incentives including stipends, curriculum, and professional development. If you think your district might be interested in participating, or for more information, please contact Erin Chaparro echaparro@ori.org, or Barbara Gunn barbarag@ori.org.

Registration Opens Soon for Summer Trainings

Plan on joining us for our upcoming summer conferences featuring high-quality, intensive training on the current editions of Direct Instruction programs:

4th Annual Southwest DI Conference and Institutes
June 6-9, 2016
San Antonio, Texas

42nd National Direct Instruction Conference and Institutes
July 25-29, 2016
Eugene, Oregon

The San Antonio sessions are focused on the kindergarten through 3rd grade levels of Reading Mastery Signature Edition, DISTAR and Connecting Math Concepts, as well as Corrective Reading. This year we are happy to offer the popular institute Becoming an Effective DI Trainer.

The National Conference in Eugene will include training on all levels of the DI programs, as well as sessions on classroom management, data collection and analysis and much more. Eugene also features several popular institutes, including the Institute on Becoming an Effective DI Trainer, Essentials of Coaching and the Administrators Institute: Effective Implementation and Supervision of DI.

Registration information will be available on our website February 20, 2016. See you this summer!

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