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If you have questions or need additional information, you can reach us at 877.485.1973 or [info@nifdi.org](mailto:info@nifdi.org).

## Registration Open 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 Institute](#)

June 6-9, 2016 (Conference)

June 5-9, 2016 (Effective Trainer Institute)

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 also offering our popular Institute, *Becoming an Effective DI Trainer*.

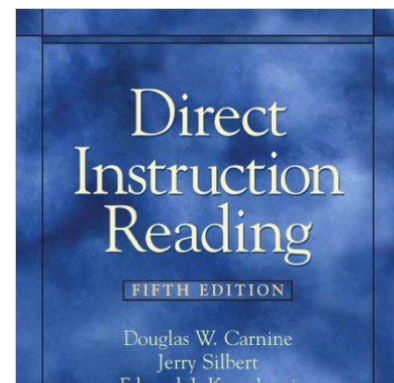
The National Conference in Eugene will include training on all levels of the DI programs, as well as sessions on classroom management, data collection and analysis and much more. There are new sessions on Common Core State Standards, DI for learners with ASD, and teaching oral reading fluency. Eugene also features all of our institutes, including the Institute on Becoming an Effective DI Trainer, a revamped Coaching Institute, and the Administrators Institute: Effective Implementation and Supervision of DI.

Click the links above to download a complete brochure or to register for either conference.

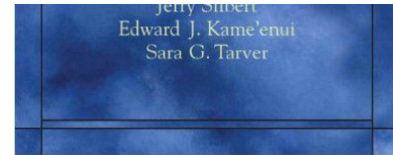
## Newest Edition of Direct Instruction Reading Available!

The fifth edition of *Direct Instruction Reading* (Carnine, Silbert, Kame'enui and Tarver,) has been released by Pearson Higher Ed.

Thoroughly integrating the latest guidelines from the National Reading Panel, this is a practical guide to teaching reading via the direct instruction reading approach, a proven program that's especially powerful with the most vulnerable learners - those at-risk because of poverty, disability/limited English. Rather than simply list method after method, these nationally known and respected authors provide a specific repertoire of carefully sequenced, highly prescriptive procedures for teaching decoding,



comprehension, content reading, and study skills. For each skill to be taught, they recommend strategies, discuss optimal timing, offer examples, and explain how to correct errors. In addition, they thoughtfully examine the relationships among different reading skills.



## Nominate an Educator for the Excellence in Education Award

An important feature of successful Direct Instruction implementations is to celebrate success--success of students, teachers and entire schools. For many years, there has been a tradition of recognizing excellence in education at the National DI Conference and this year is no exception. Individuals and schools that have made a significant difference in the educational performance of children will be recognized through the following awards:

- Siegfried Engelmann Excellence in Education Award
- Wes Becker Excellent School Award
- The Wayne Carnine Student Improvement Award

Please take this opportunity to identify and nominate a colleague and/or school that has made a difference. Nomination applications are short (1-2 pages) and are available on our website.

Nominations are due in our office by June 3rd, so [download the application packet today!](#)



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## IDEA Schools Looking for Assistant Principals of Instruction



IDEA Public Schools is a K-12 Public Charter school that predominantly serves low income students and ensures that 100% of their students get accepted to college. IDEA currently has 44 schools in Austin, San Antonio, and the Rio Grande Valley serving more than 24,000 students. IDEA schools are consistently rated in the top of the rankings for public schools in Texas. It starts with building a solid foundation by using Direct Instruction in their K-2 classrooms.

As IDEA opens up two more academies in San Antonio and one more in Austin, they are looking for more amazing DI leaders and teachers to carry out the mission of 100% to college. Please take a

brief moment to check out some quick links and important information about leadership opportunities for the upcoming school year with IDEA Public Schools.

See who IDEA is [here](#).

2016-17 vacancies include Assistant principal of instruction in San Antonio and Austin, and teacher vacancies in the Rio Grande Valley, San Antonio and Austin.

Submit your Assistant Principal of Instruction Application:

Click [here](#) for the Central Texas Region

Click [here](#) for the Rio Grande Valley Region.

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