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NIFDI Offers In-Person Institutes this July!

Because of uncertainties of large training needs, we are limiting the National Direct Instruction Conference to hosting these two popular institutes as in-person training events this summer. Both institutes include extensive resources that support the training and that you will continue to find useful once you return to your building. Each institute is \$825.00, which includes all materials, breakfast, and lunch each day. Be assured that all local, state, and CDC health-related protocols will be observed.

The institutes will be held at the Graduate Eugene Hotel. The Graduate is extending a special rate of \$124.00 room rate + 11.3% occupancy tax. This rate includes self-parking in their underground parking garage. Book online at <u>Graduate Eugene Hotel</u> <u>Booking Link - NIFDI 2021</u> or, if you wish to make your reservations by phone, call 844-888-4723 and reference Group: NIFDI Conference 2021. Guests will need to book into the block by Tuesday, July 6, 2021, in order to secure the discounted rate.

Please contact us if you would like to schedule virtual or in-person perservice training on any of the Direct Instruction programs. Send an email to <u>info@nifdi.org</u> for more information





Specific training for instructional coaches, peer coaches, and others responsible for observing instruction and improving student performance Space is limited! Register today! For more information or to register go to www.nifdi.org All local, state and CDC protocols will be observed.



Whether you're an instructional coach, peer coach, or administrator responsible for improving student performance, one of the most critical roles in a successful Direct Instruction implementation is the coach. With good, careful coaching, teachers will become more skilled and proficient in teaching the DI programs, and students will excel with improved instruction.

In an implementation that does not incorporate high-quality coaching, some teachers will become stars, but others may demonstrate little to no improvement, keeping the implementation as a whole from achieving a high level of success. With effective coaching, staff development, and strong leadership, teachers using Direct Instruction will improve dramatically, and students will progress farther and faster than they ever have before.

This Institute will equip building and district-level instructional coaches, peer coaches, lead teachers and mentor teachers with critical coaching and support skills.

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, ongoing professional development sessions.
- Facilitate rehearsal sessions.
- Determine the appropriate intervention based on data and observation.
- Facilitate Data Analysis Team meetings to find and solve student performance problems in a timely manner.

Click here to register!

Plan now to attend this in-person training!

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Administrator Leadership Institute: Effective Implementation of DI for All Students

July 26-29, 2021 The Graduate Hotel, Eugene, Oregon This training is designed specifically for administrators, principals, instructional coaches, curriculum directors, and school board members Space is limited! Register today! For more information or to register go to www.nifdi.org All local, state, and CDC protocols will be observed.



A successful Direct Instruction (DI) implementation requires the active participation of a fully engaged leadership team. The role of these individuals is to ensure student achievement by setting up the implementation for success, providing ongoing support to teachers and paraprofessionals, monitoring the effectiveness of instruction, and solving implementation problems as they arise. This intensive fourday session provides a deeper understanding of the rationale for the comprehensive DI schoolwide model as it guides administrators through the practical and proven steps that promote student learning. Firefox

The goal of the Administrator Leadership Institute is for participants to become familiar with 1) what steps are needed to ensure that DI is implemented effectively for all students and 2) when these steps should be taken. The institute is structured around a calendar that provides a month-by-month breakdown of the major actions to take for a successful implementation of DI. Year-to-year changes that need to occur in order to build the school's capacity to provide effective implementation support will also be discussed. In addition, the session addresses how to avoid some of the pitfalls that can hamper a schoolwide implementation of DI and prevent schools from maximizing student achievement.

The session references DI Senior Author Siegfried Engelmann's guidelines for the full implementation of Direct Instruction curricula as it addresses the following questions:

- What results can schools expect from the comprehensive Direct Instruction schoolwide model?
- How do the design features of the Direct Instruction curricula lead to improved student outcomes?
- What are the advantages of implementing Direct Instruction schoolwide?
- How can instruction be adjusted to meet different student needs through DI?

Participants engage in several activities that simulate specific actions to be taken in schools, including conducting observations of videos of actual classroom instruction. A particular emphasis of the session is on analyzing student performance data on student placement, mastery, and lesson progress for a wide range of instructional levels and classroom situations. Participants learn how to utilize these data to guide adjustments in instruction as a means of improving outcomes for all students.

This session is appropriate for both new school administrators and those who are experienced with DI.

Click here to register!

Let NIFDI Help you Close the COVID Learning Gap!



The National Institute for Direct Instruction is ready to partner with you to develop your plans to maximize student success and help make up for the learning loss due to the pandemic through the implementation of Direct Instruction programs and comprehensive support. We can help you with placement testing, preservice training, and all facets of your recovery plan.

To help you explore which programs are best suited for

your students, we invite you to <u>download your copy</u> of the document *Using Direct Instruction to Close Performance Gaps: A Guide to Published DI Programs.* This guide is divided into two sections: one for elementary students and one for secondary students. In each section, descriptions of programs are provided separately for

- students who are performing on grade level
- students who are performing below grade level
- English Language Learners

Once you have decided on which programs you would like to use, please remember that *proper training prior to implementation and technical support throughout the*

