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Plan now to join us in-person!

**49th National Direct Instruction Conference and Institutes**  
**Eugene, Oregon**


*Administrative Leadership, Coaching, and Becoming an Effective DI Trainer*  
Institutes: July 24-28, 2023

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Keynote Speaker: John Wills Lloyd, University of Virginia  
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## ***Register for the National Direct Instruction Conference and Institutes!***

Some sessions are filling up for the 49th National Direct Instruction Conference and Institutes at the Graduate Hotel in Eugene, Oregon, July 24-28, 2023. The conference includes training on all of the main DI programs.

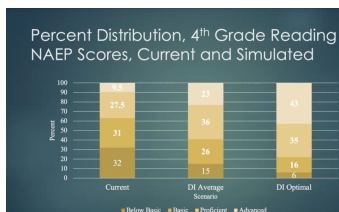
The application deadline for the institute, Becoming an Effective DI Trainer is June 2. [Click here](#) for more information about this popular institute and to get a copy of the application.

In response to participant feedback, the Administrator's Leadership Institute has been expanded to 5 full days. We also have brought back the popular pre-conference sessions, including a presentation by Anita Archer based on her book, *Explicit Instruction*. New sessions include training on [Direct Instruction Spoken English](#), DI and the Science of Reading, Sensible Sequences, and many more!

[Click here](#) to view highlights of the conference and what past attendees say about their experience at past conferences.

Mark your calendar now and plan on spending a productive and enjoyable week with our team of expert trainers. To view the schedule, lodging, and cost information, [Click here](#). [Click here](#) to download the full brochure.

## Jean Stockard Presents Webinar on DI Research



Jean Stockard, Professor Emeritus at the University of Oregon and retired Director of Research for NIFDI, recently presented a webinar titled [Direct Instruction: Successful Students and Teachers](#). Sponsored by the Reading Science Academy, this 30-minute presentation summarizes the book, [All Students Can Succeed: A Half Century of Research on the Effectiveness of Direct Instruction](#). The audience was a group of teacher preparation instructors.

The information provided in the webinar is interesting. Particularly compelling is a table that is discussed at 24:10 in the video. The table shows 3 columns. The first is current NAEP scores. The second shows how those scores could change if DI were implemented with “average exposure” to DI, based on the meta-analysis. The third column shows the theoretical scores if DI were implemented in an *optimal* manner. [Click here](#) to view the table. Viewers will see that DI, well-implemented, has the potential to have 78% of students at proficient or advanced levels in reading.

We are hopeful that the current groundswell of interest in the science of reading will encourage teacher-educators to examine Direct Instruction as a solution for teacher and student success.

## Plan to Attend the UK Direct Instruction Teaching Academy

NIFDI has a long history of providing the Gold Standard for training in Direct Instruction programs. Our trainers have trained tens of thousands of educators worldwide to implement DI successfully. For the first time, we are offering in-person open-enrollment training in the United Kingdom!



Plan on attending the UK Direct Instruction Teaching Academy July 6 & 7, 2023, at Heath Lane Academy, Earl Shilton, Leicester. We will be offering training in *Corrective Mathematics* and *Corrective Reading, Decoding*. Participants can choose to attend one of these two-day trainings.

Space is limited to 25 attendees in each session, so sign up soon! For complete details, [click here](#).

## NIFDI Launches Student Perspectives

A new addition to our website is the inclusion of student demonstrations of their reading skills. The three videos can be [found here](#). These clips are students at IDEA Travis Academy in Mission, Texas. Travis uses Reading Mastery Signature Edition in grades k-2, with great success. You can see the confidence and enthusiasm they show in these short interviews/demonstrations. We plan on adding more clips and will let you know as we expand the collection.

## ***Travel Lane County Recognizes Bryan Wickman, NIFDI Outreach Director***



On Friday, May 19<sup>th</sup>, Travel Lane County, a non-profit organization that promotes tourism in Lane County, recognized Bryan Wickman, NIFDI Outreach Director, for his many years of successfully managing the annual Direct Instruction Conference in Eugene, Oregon. Bryan received the Convention Leadership Award, one of five awards given this year to individuals or organizations that promote travel to Lane County. View a photo of the awardees [here](#) and a one-minute video on Bryan and his excellent management of the conference [here](#). To congratulate Bryan on this award, email him at [bwickman@nifdi.org](mailto:bwickman@nifdi.org) or call him at 1-877-485-1973 x147. He richly deserves this recognition!

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