2018 Reading Recovery Teacher Leader Institute
Polishing the Diamond: Refining the Tools in Your Teacher Leader Toolkit

Tuesday – Friday • June 12-15
Hyatt Regency Louisville – Louisville, Kentucky
Welcome to the Teacher Leader Institute and Louisville, Kentucky! The theme of this year’s Institute is Polishing the Diamond: Refining the Tools in Your Teacher Leader Toolkit. Thank you for joining us as we unite to continue our learning, examine our theoretical understandings, and celebrate our successful work with teachers and children. We begin our celebration on Tuesday with the introduction of the new teacher leaders and trainers to our Reading Recovery community.

Wednesday’s focus is on the coaching of teachers beginning with the general session, “Cultivating Self-Extending Teachers: Coaching for Agency and Independence” and the working sessions that follow. We continue with the coaching emphasis on Thursday morning with the general session, “Co-constructing Expertise Through Purposeful Coaching Conversations.”

The impact of Reading Recovery teachers as leaders in the school and district is explored on Thursday afternoon through the general session, “Teacher Leadership: A Key Factor in Reading Recovery’s Success” and the working session that follows. The new Reading Recovery technology standards are shared during Friday’s general session, “Changes, Challenges and Choices: Reading Recovery in the 21st Century.” The concurrent sessions that follow demonstrate ways to incorporate the new standards.

We are excited that you are here to polish the various facets of your teacher leader role. Your participation is valued as we learn through collaboration with our colleagues.

Sincerely,

Janet Bufalino, trainer
Lisa Pinkerton, trainer
Lori Taylor, trainer

Co-Chairs, 2018 Teacher Leader Institute

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Welcome to the 2018 Reading Recovery Teacher Leader Institute!

2018 Teacher Leader Institute Committee

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**Special Sessions**

Descubriendo la Lectura
Annette Torres Elías, trainer, Texas Woman’s University, Denton, TX

New Teacher Leader
Clifford Johnson, trainer, Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA, and Garreth Zalud, trainer, University of South Dakota, Vermillion, SD
Schedules and Sessions

All sessions will be held at the Hyatt Regency Louisville – Louisville, Kentucky

**TUESDAY — JUNE 12**

8:30 am–6:00 pm  
Registration Open .......................................................... Regency North Foyer

9:00 am–3:00 pm  
Descubriendo la Lectura Session - for DLL teacher leaders................................. Churchill Downs  
Annette Torres Elías, trainer, Texas Woman’s University, Denton, TX

1:30 pm–3:00 pm  
Closing the Administrator Gap – Open to all teacher leaders......................... Keeneland  
Jeff Brymer-Bashore, director of IT and operations, International Data Evaluation Center (IDEC), Columbus, OH

3:00 pm–5:00 pm  
Important Issues and Challenges for First-Year Reading Recovery Teacher Leaders ........................................... Derby  
Clifford Johnson, trainer, Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA

Preparation for Your First Year of Implementation: Perspectives of Experienced Teacher Leaders  
Teacher leaders from Gwinnett County Public Schools, Georgia:  
Crystie Flynt, Angie Bennett, Hope Griffin, and Cora Baker

4:30 pm–6:30 pm  
Exhibits Open – Scavenger Hunt ................................................ Regency North

5:00 pm–6:00 pm  
Welcome Reception ............................................................. Regency Ballroom

This special event includes welcoming remarks, an Institute overview, and the introduction of all newly trained Reading Recovery teacher leaders and trainers. Refreshments will be served and a cash bar is available. Nametag required.

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Texas Woman’s University

The Ohio State University  
University of Connecticut  
University of Kentucky  
University of Maine

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**2017-18 Teacher Leader Scholars and Donors**

Erin Nock, Farmington Public Schools, Farmington, CT, trained at University of Connecticut, pictured with Ray Yuen of Hameray Publishing Group/Yuen Family Foundation.

Pamela Slone (right), Kentucky Valley Education Cooperative, Hazard, KY, trained at University of Kentucky, pictured with Mia Coulton of MaryRuth Books.

Allison Cummins (right), Bricolage Academy, New Orleans, LA, trained at Texas Woman’s University, pictured with Michele Dufresne of Pioneer Valley Books.
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13

7:30 am–8:30 am  Continental Breakfast – sponsored by Hameray Publishing Group. Regency North
7:30 am–5:30 pm  Exhibits Open Regency North
7:30 am–5:00 pm  Registration Open Regency North Foyer
8:30 am–10:00 am  Opening Session Regency Ballroom
Cultivating Self-Extending Teachers: Coaching for Agency and Independence
Gay Su Pinnell, trainer emerita, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH
Irene Fountas, trainer, Lesley University, Cambridge, MA
10:00 am–10:30 am  Break Regency North
10:30 am–Noon  Working Session #1 – Coaching
Each teacher leader has been assigned to a specific room and table. Please go to the session room listed on your schedule ticket and find the table letter that corresponds to your schedule ticket. Table facilitators will have a roster of teacher leaders for each table.
Noon–12:45 pm  Lunch Regency Ballroom
1:00 pm–1:45 pm  General Session Regency Ballroom
Update on i3 Follow-up Study and IDEC Annual Update
Patricia Scharer, trainer, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH
Jeff Brymer-Bashore, director of IT and operations, International Data Evaluation Center (IDEC), Columbus, OH
1:45 pm–2:15 pm  Break sponsored by SongLake Books Regency North
2:15 pm–3:45 pm  Working Session #2 – Coaching
Teacher leaders attend the SAME ROOM and TABLE as the 10:30 am Working Session – see your schedule ticket. Table facilitators will have a roster of teacher leaders for each table.
4:00 pm–5:15 pm  Working Session #3 – Literacy Lessons Designed for Individuals, Second Edition and the Teacher Leader Resource
Please go to the session room listed on your schedule ticket. Each teacher leader has been assigned to a specific room. All rooms are set according to selections made during registration.
W1 – Create an in-depth topic index for Literacy Lessons Designed for Individuals – Kentucky Suite
W2 – Learn ways to use the Teacher Leader Resource with ongoing PD and training classes – Park Suite
W3 – In-depth look at chapters 3-4 – Keeneland
W4 – In-depth look at chapter 5 – Gulfstream - Hialeah
W5 – In-depth look at chapter 6 – Churchill Downs
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FRIDAY, JUNE 15

7:30 am–8:30 am  Continental Breakfast ..............................................................Regency Foyer

8:30 am–10:00 am  General Session .................................................................Regency Ballroom
Changes, Challenges and Choices: Reading Recovery in the 21st Century
Linda Dorn, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, Little Rock, AR
Adria Klein, Saint Mary’s College, Moraga, CA
Debra Rich, University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls, IA
Teacher leaders:
  Stephanie Copes, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, Little Rock, AR
  Cindy Owens, Nixa Public Schools, Nixa, MO
  Janelle Williams, Central Rivers AEA, Clear Lake, IA
  Tami Huck, Central Rivers AEA, Marshalltown, IA
  Christy Germany, San Juan USD, Citrus Heights, CA
  Esther Agustin, Ravenswood City SD, East Palo Alto, CA

10:00 am–10:15 am  Break ..............................................................Regency Foyer

10:15 am–11:45 am  Concurrent Sessions
All rooms are set according to selections made during registration.
Please go to the session that corresponds to your schedule ticket.

F1: Using Blended Learning and Virtual Coaching to Support .........................Park Suite
Reading Recovery Teachers
Linda Dorn, trainer, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, Little Rock, AR
Teacher leaders:
  University of Arkansas at Little Rock, Little Rock, AR:
    Stephanie Copes, Lee Ferguson, and Susan Perry
  Cindy Owens, Nixa Public Schools, Nixa, MO
  Shelly Shaver, Springfield School District, Springfield, MO

F2: Creating Change to Carry on Tradition ...........................................Kentucky Suite
Debra Rich, trainer, University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls, IA
Teacher leaders:
  Jennifer Burns, Heartland AEA, Johnston, IA
  Tami Huck, Central Rivers AEA, Marshalltown, IA
  Tiffany McConnelee, Keystone AEA, Elkader, IA
  Janelle Williams, Central Rivers AEA, Clear Lake, IA

F3: Using Virtual Learning to Support Reading Recovery .......................Keeneland
Teachers Across Sites
Adria Klein, trainer, Saint Mary’s College, Moraga, CA
Teacher leaders:
  Christy Germany, San Juan USD, Citrus Heights, CA
  Esther Agustin, Ravenswood City SD, East Palo Alto, CA
  Nancy Rogers-Zegarra, Saint Mary’s College, Moraga, CA

11:45 am  Adjourn
Sponsors and Exhibitors

A special thank you to our sponsors for supporting Reading Recovery and this Institute.

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Publishers and other suppliers will display their products on Tuesday 4:30 pm-6:30 pm with a scavenger hunt; Wednesday 7:30 am-5:30 pm and Thursday 7:30 am-4:30 pm. We thank the following companies for exhibiting at the 2018 Teacher Leader Institute.

- Benchmark Education
- Blueberry Hill Books
- Heinemann Publishing
- Kaeden Publishing
- MaryRuth Books
- Pioneer Valley Books
- RR Books
- Scholastic Education
- SongLake Books
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Help send a teacher leader to National Conference

Bring Your Diamonds Silent Auction

Bid on jewelry and accessories at the Silent Auction. Funds raised will go toward a Teacher Leader Professional Development Grant for the 2019 National Reading Recovery & K-6 Literacy Conference. Items can be donated Tuesday, June 12 and Wednesday, June 13 to Development Committee Chair, Annie Opat, in the Ballroom Foyer. The silent auction will run Thursday until 5:30 pm.
Hotel Information and Parking
All sessions are held at Hyatt Regency Louisville located at 320 W. Jefferson Street, Louisville, KY 40202. Direct line to the Hyatt Regency Louisville is 1-502-581-1234. 24-Hour self-parking is available at $9/day in the parking garage attached to the Hyatt.

Attire
Casual and comfortable attire with layers to suit air conditioned room temperatures.

Cell Phones
Please keep cell phones silent during ALL sessions.

IDEC
A resource table for IDEC near the Keeneland room.

Meals and Dining Options
Continental breakfast will be offered each morning Wednesday – Friday. Lunch will be provided Wednesday and Thursday. Lunch will not be served on Friday. Dinners are on your own. The Hyatt Regency Louisville features Sway Restaurant & Bar offering innovative southern fare inspired by the rich heritage of the region, capturing the true farm-to-table concept. Hours: Monday through Friday: Breakfast: 6:30 AM – 11:00 AM; Lunch: 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM; Dinner: 5:00 PM – 10:00 PM; (Closed from 2:00 PM – 5:00 PM)

There are many other restaurants nearby. Please see https://www.gotolouisville.com/restaurants/ for more dining options.

Meeting Rooms
All Institute meeting rooms are located at the Hyatt Regency Louisville. Refer to your schedule ticket and the diagram on the back of this booklet to find your session rooms.

Welcome Reception
This special event includes welcoming remarks, an Institute overview, and the introduction of all newly trained Reading Recovery teacher leaders and trainers. Refreshments will be served and a cash bar is available. Nametag required.

Registration Desk and RRCNA Membership & Products Center
The Institute registration desk is located in the Regency North Foyer (second floor). You may pick up your nametag and totebag during the on-site registration hours on Tuesday, June 12, 8:30 am-6:00 pm, Wednesday, June 13, 7:30 am-5:00 pm, and Thursday, June 14, 7:30 am-5:00 pm. The RRCNA Membership & Products Center is also located in the Regency North Foyer. Stop by to join or renew your RRCNA membership or to purchase Council publications and products.

Sessions
Please attend the concurrent sessions listed on your registration confirmation and on your schedule ticket. The sessions will be listed in chronological order. Meeting rooms have been set according to registration session selections. Thank you for your cooperation.

Breaks
Enhance your professional development by visiting the exhibitor booths during each break on Wednesday and Thursday. Refreshments are located in the Regency North Ballroom. Afternoon breaks include dessert.

University Training Center Caucuses
UTC caucuses will meet from 4:30–5:30 pm on Thursday, June 14. See page 5 for room locations.

Some (but not all) Institute speakers have provided their handouts. These are available at https://goo.gl/p746MB, a private website for TLI attendees. Bring your copies of the required readings and handouts (when applicable) to your sessions. The handouts will be available after the Institute for a limited time.
Evaluations and Certificate of Attendance
The 2018 Teacher Leader Institute evaluation survey will be emailed to you on Monday, June 18. Please watch for the survey in your email. Your feedback is vital to the planning of future Institutes. A Certificate of Attendance will be available at the end of the online TLI evaluation survey. After you complete the survey, you will have the option to print the certificate.

Sponsors
We sincerely appreciate the support of the Institute sponsors, SongLake Books (Lead), Hameray Publishing Group (Bronze), Blueberry Hill Books (Friend), and Pioneer Valley Books (InKind). Please feel free to stop by their booths located in the Regency North Ballroom.

Exhibits
Many leading publishers and suppliers will exhibit at the Institute and are eager to greet attendees and showcase their latest books and services. Exhibits are located in the Regency North Ballroom and will be open 4:30 pm–6:30 pm on Tuesday (scavenger hunt); 7:30 am-5:30 pm on Wednesday; and 7:30 am-4:30 pm on Thursday. No exhibits on Friday. Revenue from exhibitors and sponsors is included in the overall Institute budget and helps to maintain registration fees at the lowest level possible. The exhibitors’ participation in the Institute does not represent endorsement of their products or services by the Institute Planning Committee or the Reading Recovery Council of North America.

Plan your professional development sessions with RRCNA’s leader-directed learning modules and on-demand webcasts.

Evenings
To facilitate further networking of those attending the Institute, no sessions will be scheduled during the evenings.

Shopping
Louisville shopping is a treat for the upscale shopper, the committed bargain hunter, and even the casual window shopper. With all types of shopping districts located throughout Louisville and surrounding communities, Louisville has become a shopping destination for much of the South and Midwest. For information on shopping opportunities, visit https://www.gotolouisville.com/things-to-do/shopping/ and for discounts visit https://www.gotolouisville.com/discounts/.

Entertainment
Make the most of your visit by experiencing Louisville’s entertainment scene. For information on area attractions, visit https://reservations.gotolouisville.com/attraction/list/6849/m3117, and for entertainment, visit https://www.gotolouisville.com/things-to-do/entertainment-nightlife/.

Word of Caution
Unfortunately, losses and thefts occur whenever large numbers of people meet. Please exercise adequate precautionary measures. RRCNA is not responsible for any losses or injuries that occur in conjunction with the Institute. A lost and found will be located at the Teacher Leader Institute registration desk.
Excellence in Literacy Leadership Award
Presented by the Reading Recovery Teacher Leaders

Honoring Excellence

This year, three individuals were recognized with the Excellence in Literacy Leadership Award presented by the Reading Recovery Teacher Leaders. The awards were presented during the 2018 National Reading Recovery & K-6 Literacy Conference opening session.

Dr. Amanda Alexander
Interim Chancellor District of Columbia Public Schools
Washington, DC

From our first conversation, I recognized Dr. Alexander’s passion for early literacy and her strong belief in the power and potential of Reading Recovery.

— Linda Randall, nominating teacher leader

Dr. Dean Baker
Superintendent of Maine School Administrative District 49
Fairfield, ME

Dr. Baker’s commitment to Reading Recovery has been unwavering for over a quarter of a century. His unconditional support has provided implementation longevity.

— Whendolyn Smith, nominating teacher leader

Veronica Brady
Senior Vice President of Philanthropy at Gulf Coast Community Foundation, Venice, FL

From the inception, Veronica has worked diligently to reach numerous stakeholders and to spread the word about the powerful effects of Reading Recovery.

— Lisa Fisher, nominating teacher leader

Nominations will open in September for the 2019 Excellence in Literacy Leadership Award and must be received by October 30, 2018.

Nominees are judged based on the documentation supporting that the nominee:
• is committed to expanding Reading Recovery and maintaining its high standards
• has made significant contributions to Reading Recovery implementation beyond the local level
• individual has not been previously Reading Recovery trained.

Read more about the 2018 award recipients on pages 76-77 of The Journal of Reading Recovery, Spring 2018 and view their videos on the RRCNA Members Only Outreach Resources page.
National Reading Recovery & K-6 Literacy Conference
February 9-12, 2019 in Columbus, Ohio

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**Keynote Speakers**

C.C. Bates  
Lucy Calkins

**Featured Speakers**

Jan Richardson  
Nell Duke  
Mary Fried  
Mary Lose  
James Schnug

**Preconference Institute Speakers**

Irene Fountas & Gay Su Pinnell • Adria Klein  
Sue Duncan • Mary Fried

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Register at 2018 pricing for the nation’s premier K-6 literacy conference! This special offer applies to the full Conference and/or the Preconference and Leadership Institute sessions. OFFER ENDS JULY 1, 2018.
Majority of the sessions will be held on the second floor.