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Dyslexia Associations Will Host Response to Intervention Conference in September

Meeting will feature nationally-recognized expert on RtI

(July 20, 2009) – The *Nebraska Branch of The International Dyslexia Association* and the *Friends of the Nebraska Dyslexia Association* will host a statewide conference on September 19 in Omaha. The day-long conference will focus on response-to-intervention's underlying, evidence-based foundations and provide an overview of what implementing RtI looks like in schools.

The featured speaker will be W. David Tilly III, Ph.D., whose keynote address will be "Diagnosing the Learning Enabled." This high-energy, interactive presentation provides practical solutions to successfully deploy RtI. Tilly, is Director of Innovation & Accountability for Heartland Area Education Agency 11 which serves 54 public and 36 nonpublic schools in central Iowa.

The conference will also offer a variety of sessions on evidence-based approaches for teaching spelling, decoding, fluency, vocabulary, comprehension and writing.

Saturday, September 19
8:30 am to 4:00 pm
Omaha Home for Boys
4343 N. 52nd Street, Omaha

Registration fee is \$95 for non-members, \$75 each for 10 or more from the same school district and \$60 for students and International Dyslexia Association members. To receive conference announcements send an email to info@ne-ida.com and include your name, organization, mailing address and email.

Conference details and registration information will be available after August 1 at www.ne-ida.com.

The mission of The Nebraska Branch of The International Dyslexia Association (www.ne-ida.com) is to improve educational opportunities for students with reading, writing and spelling deficits; promote education of teachers in research-based approaches to reading instruction; work with teacher education providers to require research-based training for teacher certification; and provide information and support to parents and the public on reading problems.

FONDA's vision is to empower children with the skills they need to read and succeed. FONDA is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) charitable organization solely formed to support the activities and initiatives of The Nebraska Branch of The International Dyslexia Association (www.ne-ida.com), a 501(c)(3) charitable organization.