

Linking to Literacy

Regional Conference | **September 26-27, 2008** | Sioux City, Iowa

“LINKING TO LITERACY” CONFERENCE SEPTEMBER 26-27 FEATURES MANY NATIONALLY-RECOGNIZED EXPERTS

(August 1, 2008) Sioux City, Iowa will be the site of a major, regional conference that features many national experts in the field of dyslexia, research, response-to-intervention, and teaching techniques for reading, spelling and math. The program includes sessions for elementary and secondary level educators, advocates, education administrators, parents and policymakers.

The Iowa, Nebraska and Upper Midwest branches of The International Dyslexia Association and the Iowa Learning Disabilities Association are hosting the conference on September 26-27 in Sioux City, Iowa.

Dr. Louisa Moats, Director of Professional Development and Research Initiatives with Sopris West Educational Services, will be one of two featured keynote speakers. Dr. Moats will open the conference with insights on the education and professional development needs of reading teachers. G. Emerson Dickman, President of the International Dyslexia Association, will highlight the role that parents play as participants in their child's education. Other featured speakers include Jean Osman, Dr. Jeff Gilger, Harley Tomey, C. Wilson Anderson, Dr. Ellen O'Keefe, Dr. Teri Bellis, and many others.

Parents may attend many sessions on diagnosing dyslexia, addressing the social and emotional aspects of dyslexia, advocating for children, and practical techniques for helping with reading, spelling, vocabulary and math.

The conference also includes an all-day workshop for students and young adults ages 16-22 who struggle with learning disabilities, including dyslexia. Two nationally-known speakers, Dr. Michael Ryan, a licensed clinical psychologist; and James Bauer, an occupational therapist, will facilitate the workshop.

Graduate college credit is available for the two-day conference through Morningside College in Sioux City, Iowa.

Complete conference and registration information is available in the “Conferences” section at www.ne-ida.com. Registration for the 2-day conference is \$150. Discounts for students and members of The International Dyslexia Association and the Iowa Learning Disabilities Association are available. One-day conference registration is also available.

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