



OC Literacy and Language

JUNE/JULY 2024 NEWSLETTER



We Are So Glad You Are Here!

Welcome to the Orange County Department of Education's monthly Literacy and Language newsletter! Each month we will share important Literacy information and resources from around Orange County! Look forward to information about upcoming trainings, events and community resources. We will also be spotlighting the incredible things happening with literacy across the county.

OCDE's Literacy & Language services team provides expertise in research-based instruction and leadership in English Language Arts (ELA) Literacy and English Language Development (ELD). We provide county-wide professional learning, customized support, coaching and technical assistance for educational institutions and community organizations in support of literacy. We hope you enjoy this newsletter and are inspired by the incredible work of our OC educators!



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Upcoming Literacy Offerings



Supporting ML Learners: A Toolkit of Strategies

July 23, 2024

8:30-2:30

Join us for a free, in-person training on supporting Multilingual Learners in your class/school/district! This session will provide an overview of the comprehensive resource, engage participants in a sampling of the included strategies with video examples, and address how to leverage the Toolkit for ELD instructional planning.



Foundational Skills for TK-5 Teachers

July 22, 2024

8:30-2:30

Are you ready to expand your Foundational Skills toolkit? Join us for a low-cost, in person training focused on mastering foundational literacy skills using the ELA/ELD Toolkit. Topics include: Phonemic Awareness, Harnessing Sound/Spelling Cards, Phonics & Decoding, and Word Study. \$25 per person. Lunch is included.



Ignite Early Literacy

August 8, 2024

Looking for some professional learning targeted specifically for PK/TK in elementary school? We are hosting a free, in-person session to discuss literacy strategies for our youngest readers alongside an exploration of the updated TK state guidance, foundations and alignment to Kindergarten standards. Great for PK/TK teachers, Kinder/1st grade teachers, administrators, TOSA's and coaches. Breakfast and lunch is included!



24-25 Literacy and Language Network

We are thrilled to share that we will be continuing the Literacy and Language Network for the 24-25 year! This Network is a no-cost monthly opportunity for educators to discuss current and emerging topics in ELA, ELD, and Disciplinary Literacy. If you are a literacy leader in your community, we encourage you to join our network. Our goal is to have a representative from each district.

See all our 24-25 offerings here!



2024-2025 LITERACY AND LANGUAGE OFFERINGS CALENDAR

Save the Date

 **April 1, 2025**

 **OCDE Kalmus, Costa Mesa**

Empowering Writers Summit: Strategies for Success Across the Disciplines

Get ready for a day full of inspiration, innovative strategies, and fun collaboration! This exciting event is designed for educators who are passionate about enhancing writing instruction across all grade levels and content areas. Dive into engaging workshops, lively discussions, and hands-on sessions that will leave you buzzing with new ideas to bring back to your classroom.

Don't miss out on this incredible opportunity to connect with fellow educators and reignite your passion for teaching writing. Mark your calendars now - we can't wait to see you there!

call for proposals



**Submit
Here**



CREATING REFLECTIVE AND BRAVE LEARNING SPACES

Join OCDE's OCSSA and Literacy & Language Networks for a free workshop presented by Facing History & Ourselves

August 15, 2024
9:00-11:30 am
OCDE 200 Kalmus Dr. Costa Mesa/ Boardroom

RSVP

More Information
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2024 Summer Learning Series: Writing Instruction Across the Disciplines: Evidence-Based Practices in Grades 6-12

Join us in hearing from select authors from the forthcoming WRITE Center book on Writing Instruction Across the Disciplines: Evidence-Based Practices in Grades 6-12.

Our distinguished speakers will share strategies from their chapters that will help teachers enhance their students' academic writing skills.

Tuesday, June 25th (10 - 11:30am PST)
Culturally Sustaining Writing Practices
Tricia Ebarvia and Kim Parker

Tuesday, July 9th (10 - 11:30am PST)
Teaching Argument Writing in the ELA
Classroom: Diversity as Resource
Carol Lee

Tuesday, July 16th (10 - 11:30am PST)
Leveraging Generative AI to Improve Secondary Writing Instruction
Mark Warschauer and Tamara Tate



2024 PROFESSIONAL LEARNING INSTITUTE

July 16-18 • Anaheim Convention Center


Learn about the latest evidence-based practices to scale up your Multi-Tiered System of Support, creating inclusive and equitable conditions for students and families. Along with international acclaimed presenters, this three-day conference will offer professional learning to help educators integrate academic, behavior, social-emotional learning, and mental health supports. Participants will also discover how schools and districts are using the California MTSS Framework to improve student outcomes and meet the needs of the whole child.

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS
INSPIRE, INNOVATE AND THRIVE



Catherine Price George Couras Shree Walker

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ELRISE!


Asset-Based Content and Language Instruction for Multilingual Learners in the Secondary Grades

FREE In-Person Institute
June 26, 2024 | 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Norma Herzog Community Center
1845 Park Ave. Costa Mesa, CA

AUDIENCE
Secondary Educators, Instructional Coaches, and Administrators



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REGISTER
<https://ocde.k12oms.org/1253-244811>



Integrated and Designated ELD and culturally and linguistically sustaining practices are the foundational components of effective and responsive secondary schools for meeting the needs of multilingual students. This One-Day-Institute is designed for middle and high school teachers, instructional coaches and administrators. Participants will be immersed in the ELD standards, build an understanding of how to integrate support for language development with disciplinary content knowledge, and become acquainted with high-leverage instructional strategies that build comprehension, support active engagement, intentionally build language, and focus on all four domains of language (oracy, listening/comprehension, reading and writing). Participants will become acquainted with the guidance provided in key CDE resources, including the EL Roadmap policy, ELD Standards, ELA-ELD Framework, and the newly published *Improving Education for Multilingual and English Learner Students: Research to Practice*.

Sponsored by the Educator Workforce Investment Grant through the California Department of Education and the California Collaborative for Excellence in Education





Six OC library branches will offer free summer meals to kids!

[Find information here!](#)



Summer Reading Lists:

[Children Grades K - 3](#)

[Children Grades 3 - 6](#)

[Youth Grades 6 - 8](#)

[Teens](#)

OC Public Libraries Presents
Summer Reading Program 2024
JUNE 17 - AUGUST 4, 2024



Summer at OC Public Libraries offers fun for all ages including free events and programs.

Earn badges by reading and completing activities.

[OCPL.ORG/SUMMER-READING-2024](https://ocpl.org/summer-reading-2024)

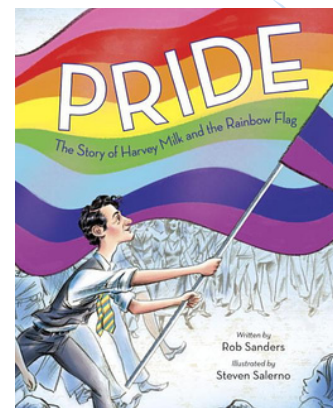
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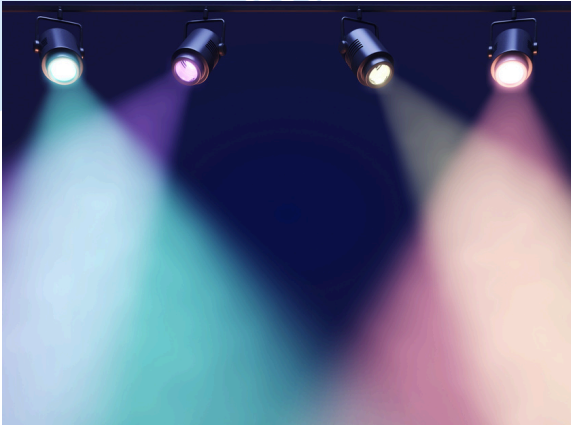
June is Pride Month! + Summer Reading

Resources for Pride

3-2-1 Ways to Engage Students in Reading Over the Summer



Spotlight



Do you want your school, district or organization highlighted for amazing literacy work?

Each month our Literacy and Language Newsletter will include a spotlight section to highlight the incredible things happening with literacy across the county. We invite you all to submit this form to be included in an upcoming spotlight section.

SUBMIT



Resources

Need ideas for self-care this summer? Check out this great [30 Day Self-Care Challenge Planner!](#)

Did you know the OCDE Literacy and Language Website is FULL of helpful resources to support your work with literacy? Check out the resources section of our website [here](#). You can find standards, frameworks, textbook adoption information, state guidelines, free resources, and more!



Take a look at our [24-25 Custom Contracts Catalog](#) to learn how we can tailor support for your school/district!

Tech Corner



Unlock the future of learning! Dive into the exciting world of AI with the [AI for Education](#) website's amazing resources and webinars. Discover how AI can transform education and empower you with new skills.

Embrace the power of self-directed learning and start your journey today!