

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2007

All sessions are intended to serve the needs and interests of reading professionals and pre-professionals. Grade level applicability is indicated in the margin below the room number.

10:00 – 8:00

***Pre-registration and On-Site Registration for Participants
Gatlin Pre-conference Registration Area***

***Pre-registration for Presenters
Suwannee Registration Area on the 2nd floor***

Preconference Institutes

Registration fee for each Preconference Institute is \$25.00.

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12:00 – 2:45pm
St. Johns 28
Grades PreK-3

The Joy of Language: Rhythm, Rhyme, & Harmony in Reading

Speakers: John Archambault and David Plummer
Chair: Shirley Gibson, FRA Board

This session will highlight the latest brain research as well as demonstrate the power of music. Melody and song carry words along. Once melody, song is imprinted, it provides a "base track" river of language for the emergent or struggling reader to float along on, effortlessly absorbing language, phonemic awareness, and "tuning the ear" to work with the eye for easier language development. Truly with Music, No Child is Left Behind!

Sponsored by Childcraft

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12:00 – 2:45pm
St. Johns 29
Grades 6 - 12

Five Star Reading Strategies: Demystifying Comprehension

Speaker: Joan Smathers
Chair: Karis MacDonnell, FRA Board

Empower your student with just three magical reading strategies and watch them transition to competent and confident constructors of meaning. Learn how you can simply and effectively incorporate collaborative reading, questioning, and personalizing text to create competent readers.

Sponsored by McDougal Littell

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12:00 – 2:45pm
St. Johns 30
Administrators and
Coaches K - 12

Student-Focused Coaching: A New Model for Reading Coaches

Speaker: Jan Hasbrouck
Chair: Maria Schneider, FRA Board

Student-Focused Coaching is a research-based model for systematically and effectively addressing concerns about student progress. This session presents a way to collaborate that keeps the focus on the kids!

Sponsored by Glencoe/McGraw-Hill

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12:00 – 2:45pm
St. Johns 31
 Grades K - 5

Discover the Magic of Activating the Brain

Speaker: Pamela Davidson
 Chair: Melinda Sharp

Come ready to activate your brain as we engage in activities that you can implement right away! Ingredients for learning include: motivation, success, and involvement; all sprinkled with a little TLC.

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12:00 – 2:45pm
St. Johns 32/33
 Grades K - 3

Primary Literacy Centers that Make Reading STICK!

Speakers: Susan Nations and Melissa Alonso
 Chair: Linda Wayne

Susan and Melissa will facilitate an interactive workshop focused on using literacy centers to reinforce whole and small group instruction. Participants will create open-ended centers that can be used with multiple reading levels and texts.

Sponsored by Maupin House

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3:00 – 5:45pm
St. Johns 28
 Grades PreK - 2

Breakthrough in Beginning Reading and Writing

Speaker: Richard Gentry
 Chair: Andrea Rosenblatt, FRA Board

Groundbreaking research in brain scanning and Phase Theory are changing beginning reading and writing instruction in America. Come see how children break the code. This session includes video footage of Dr. Gentry working with three through seven year olds. Learn how writing and spelling support beginning reading. You may be amazed at what you see!

Sponsored by Zaner-Bloser

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3:00 – 5:45pm
St. Johns 29
 Grades K - 8

Poetry: Write in the Middle of Class, A Writing Workshop for Teachers

Speaker: Judy Young
 Chair: Jeanne Petronio

Participants will learn how easy it is to get their students' creative juices flowing as they actively participate in a variety of poetry writing activities that can be used immediately in the classroom, as well as suggestions on integrating poetry into all curriculum areas.

Sponsored by FRA

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3:00 – 5:45pm
St. Johns 30
 Administrators,
 Coaches and
 Teachers K - 12

Literacy Essentials and Reading Network System's Florida Reading Model – Practical Applications

Speakers: Larry Tihen, Christine Busenbark, and Maria Schneider
 Chair: Melinda Webster

This session will present information on how a district has implemented a practical, useable, systemic approach to address reading needs for all students utilizing the Just Read, Florida! LEARN Systems's Florida Reading Model. Application of the Model to district, school, Reading Leadership Team, and classroom situations will be presented.

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Neuroscience Research, Technology, and Effective Readers: Making the Connections

3:00 – 5:45pm
St. Johns 31
 Grades K - 12

Speakers: Sherrelle Walker and Jacky Egli
 Chair: Evelyn Florence

The latest neuroscience research will be demonstrated as well as how, with technology, significant and lasting results can be acquired quickly in language acquisition and reading achievement for ALL students.

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Creating Classroom Magic – Simple Art and Craft Ideas to Stimulate Learning Across the Curriculum

3:00 – 5:45pm
St. Johns 32/33
 Grades K - 2

Speaker: Mary Dall
 Chair: Linda Gobran

This "make and take" session teaches easy art concepts and incorporates simple arts and crafts activities designed to enhance and stimulate reading writing skills across the curriculum. Easy art enhancements will be explored.

**WELCOME
 GALA**

6:00 – 8:00 pm “Let the Magic Begin!” Opening Gala in the Exhibit Hall

Gatlin D/E
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Everyone is invited to tour the exhibits, chat with exhibitors, enjoy the refreshments they have provided, and create a special treat at our “famous” Mashed Potato Martini Bar as you browse and mingle with colleagues.

Prizes will be given away every 15 minutes!

Mashed Potato Martini Bar sponsored by SRA/McGraw-Hill

8:00 – 9:00 pm FRA Board of Directors Meeting and Dinner (By invitation only)

Conway Room Presiding: Debra Wellman, FRA President

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