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Learn How DI Addresses the Common Core State Standards



Join Patrice Riggin and Kia Ellis July 13th at the **National Direct Instruction Conference and Institutes** for a preconference session discussing the impact of the Common Core State Standards on curriculum design, program evaluations and state testing. The session will feature an analysis of the standards, and participants will learn how Connecting Math Concepts: Comprehensive Edition and Reading Mastery Signature Edition address these standards.

See the full **conference offerings** and **register online** today!

Nominate an Educator for the Excellence in Education Awards

An important feature of successful Direct Instruction implementations is to celebrate success--success of students, teachers and entire schools. For many years, there has been a tradition of recognizing excellence in education at the National DI Conference and this year is no exception. Individuals and schools that have made a significant difference in the educational performance of children will be recognized through the following awards:

- Siegfried Engelmann Excellence in Education Award
- Wes Becker Excellent School Award
- The Wayne Carnine Student Improvement Award

Please take this opportunity to identify and nominate a colleague and/or school that has made a difference. Nomination applications are short (1-2 pages) and are available on our website.

Nominations are due in our office by June 3rd, so download the application packet today!

Follow NIFDI on Pinterest!

Did you know you can access resources and information from the National Institute for Direct Instruction through Pinterest? If you're not familiar with Pinterest, it is a website where users can create and follow virtual bulletin boards of information, ideas and resources. When you "pin" something to one of your self-named Pinterest boards, you store a link to the item for future reference--much like a traditional bulletin board you may keep near your

workspace. Only this one is kept online--and you can access it from anywhere you have an internet connection!

NIFDI currently hosts 17 different boards with pins from videos and research information to announcements and recommended reading. We invite you to check out our boards at **pinterest.com/nifdi** and start creating your own quick links to critical resources today!



Cape York Aboriginal Australian Academy Seeks Director of Instruction

Love Direct Instruction? Want to live in Australia? Cape York Aboriginal Australian Academy (CYAAA) is seeking a Director of Instruction. The Academy, which has operated three schools in the far north of Australia since 2010, plans to expand into other sites in Queensland and across Australia.

The Director of Instruction is charged with leading the reform efforts for underperforming schools to bring student performance up to meet national standards and to develop schools that will serve as strong models for improving the education of children in Australia. Potential applicants must have at least five years experience teaching and supervising the implementation of DI programs and exhibit strong supervisory and management skills. Additional qualification requirements and application information is available in the **job posting**.

Applications are due by April 28, 2014. For questions, email Lisa Heubusch at Iheubusch@cyaaa.com.au.

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